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BIOGRAPHICAL

MAJOR HOBART WARREN THOMPSON, of Troy, New York, prominent in financial, industrial and philanthropical affairs, traces descent in the ninth generation from Anthony Thompson, the founder of the New Haven branch of the Thompson family in America. There is a wealth of history and genealogy to which he falls heir through his connection with Anthony Thompson, the Puritan, a member of the company who, dissenting from the Church of England, fled their native land to escape the constant persecutions, and with Governor Eaton and Rev. Davenport arrived in Boston on the ship "Hector," June 26, or July, 1637, the authorities differing as to the month. In the direct Thompson line the record is high and honorable, Thompsons shining brilliantly in every department of Colonial and State life. In the allied lines the best Colonial families are reached and a clear line of descent traced from Elder William Brewster, of the "Mayflower"; from Sir Richard Saltonstall, who was English ambassador to Holland, where Rembrandt painted his famous portrait; from Samuel Saltonstall, Lord Mayor of London, father of Sir Richard; from Lion Gardiner, first proprietor of Gardiner's Island, and many others of Colonial fame. Thompson is an honored name in England, Scotland and Ireland, differing in spelling according to the will or whim of the family speller, as is often the case in other families. The English family bore arms:

Arms—Or, on a fesse dancettée azure, three estoiles argent; on a canton of the second a sun in glory proper.

Crest—An arm erect, vested gules, cuff argent, holding in the arm proper five ears of wheat or.

Motto—In lumine lucem.

Troy's particular interest in the family began with John Leland Thompson, a man of remarkable business ability and upright honorable life, who settled in Troy in 1817. He was of the seventh American generation, the father of John Isaac and William Augustus Thompson, two of Troy's ablest business men, and grandfather of Major Hobart Warren Thompson. John Leland Thompson founded the wholesale drug firm of John L. Thompson Sons & Company; was in business at the same address in Troy for sixty-three years, was head of the third largest drug house in the State of New York, and at his death, in 1880, the oldest and wealthiest merchant in Troy. Tracing in direct paternal line, Major Thompson's ancestry is thus shown from the American ancestor, Anthony Thompson.

(I) Anthony Thompson with wife, two children, and two brothers, John and William, sailed from London on the ship "Hector," and reached Boston in June, or July, 1637. They followed their pastor, Rev. Davenport, to New Haven, Connecticut, where Anthony received lands

and was a member of the church. He made his will March 23, 1648, shortly before his death and left a family of sons and daughters. The name of his first wife is unknown.

(II) John Thompson, eldest son of Anthony Thompson, was born in England in 1632, and was brought to New England by his parents in the summer of 1637. He is called "skipper" and "mariner" John to distinguish him from "Farmer" John Thompson. He lived at New Haven, Connecticut, and by his wife, Hellena, had sons and daughters.

(III) Samuel Thompson, son of "Skipper" John and Hellena Thompson, was born in New Haven, Connecticut, May 12, 1669, and died in Goshen, Connecticut, March 26, 1746. He was a prosperous merchant of New Haven, later of Goshen, and held the rank of captain of militia. He married Rebecca Bishop, daughter of Lieutenant-Governor Bishop, and they were the parents of a large family.

(IV) Amos Thompson, third son of Samuel Thompson, was born in New Haven, Connecticut, March 3, 1702, and was for nine years, 1741-1750, town clerk and treasurer of Goshen, where the first meeting house was built on his land. He married, September 7, 1726, Sarah Allen.

(V) Ezra Thompson, youngest son of Amos and Sarah (Allen) Thompson, was born in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1734, and in 1795 was elected one of the first supervisors from the town of Stamford, Dutchess county, New York. He was a gentleman farmer, owning a large estate in the vicinity of Poughkeepsie, New York. He married Rachel Smith.

(VI) Ezra (2) Thompson, second son of Ezra and Rachel (Smith) Thompson, was born September 3, 1765, and died April 3, 1829. He owned and cultivated a Dutchess county farm and brought up his children to habits of industry and thrift. He was a man of quiet, forceful manner, and transmitted strength of character to his children that made their lives remarkable. When his son, John Leland Thompson, took a clerical position in a Troy store and left the paternal home, his father placed a silver dollar in his hand, saying, in all seriousness: "My son you may require a little money before you earn any, take this." Ezra (2) Thompson married, July 13, 1786, Sallie Burton, and their seventh child and third son was John Leland Thompson, of whom further.

(VII) John Leland Thompson, son of Ezra (2) and Sallie (Burton) Thompson, was born at Amenia, Dutchess county, New York, December 1, 1797, died at Troy, New York, March 27, 1880. He remained at the home farm until 1817, then became clerk in the drug store of Dr. Samuel Gale, then postmaster of Troy, New York, having the post office in his drug store. In 1821 he became a partner in the firm, Gale & Thompson, druggists, and on Dr. Gale's retirement in 1826 was left sole owner. In 1841 he admitted David Cowee to the firm, John L. Thompson & Company, and in 1855 his sons, John Isaac and William Augustus, were admitted, the firm name being then John L. Thompson Sons & Company. That firm became both large and prosperous, and until his passing, at the age of eighty-three, John Leland Thompson guided its destinies.

In addition he was president of the Troy & Greenbush railroad; an organizer and director of the Troy Union Railroad Company in 1851; director of the Old Farmers' Bank from 1836 until its merger with the United National Bank in 1865; and was director of the latter bank until his death; trustee of the Troy Savings Bank; and a director of the Albany & Vermont Railroad Company.

Outside the business world he was especially interested in Marshall Infirmary, which he served as governor, and late in life he became a communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, whose services he had for years regularly attended. He was a Democrat in politics, an ardent advocate of temperance, and warm supporter of the Washingtonian movement of 1840. His last words to his son were: "You will never make a success in life without sterling integrity." That was the keynote of his own life, and sterling integrity has been a marked characteristic of his descendants. He was buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Troy, at the age of eighty-three, truly a "grand old man."

John Leland Thompson married, August 17, 1829, at New London, Connecticut, Mary Perkins Thompson, born August 24, 1809, died February 24, 1892, daughter of Isaac and Catherine (Mumford) Thompson, and granddaughter of Lieutenant William and Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson, her grandfather a Revolutionary army officer, killed in battle with the British at Ridgefield, Connecticut, April 27, 1777. He was a son of John (3) and Ruth (Curtis) Thompson; grandson of "Deacon" John (2) and Sarah (Welles) Thompson; great-grandson of Ambrose and Sarah (Welles) Thompson, (granddaughter of Governor Thomas Welles); and great-great-grandson of John (1) and Mirable Thompson, who were married in England and came to Stratford, Connecticut, about 1640.

Mary Perkins Thompson was a descendant of Elder Brewster, of the "Mayflower," ruling elder and spiritual guide of the Pilgrim Fathers, one of the prominent figures of that memorable band of men and women that founded a nation. The line of descent is traced from Elder William through his son, Jonathan Brewster, his daughter, Elizabeth Brewster, and her husband, Peter Bradley; their daughter, Lucretia Bradley, and her husband, Judge Richards Christophers; their son, Judge Christopher Christophers, and his wife, Sarah Prout; their son, John Christophers, and his wife, Jerusha Gardiner (a descendant of Lion Gardiner and Sir Richard Saltonstall); their daughter, Lucretia Christophers, and her husband, John Mumford; their daughter, Catherine Mumford, and her husband, Isaac Thompson; their daughter, Mary Perkins Thompson, and her husband, John Leland Thompson. John Leland and Mary Perkins (Thompson) Thompson were the parents of eight children, the eldest a son, John Isaac Thompson, of whom further.

(VIII) John Isaac Thompson, son of John Leland and Mary P. (Thompson) Thompson, was born in Troy, New York, April 2, 1831, and died in San Francisco, California, October 16, 1901, while attending in that city a general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church as

representative of the diocese of Albany. After completing his studies he entered business life, becoming, in 1855, a member of the wholesale drug firm of John L. Thompson Sons & Company, and became, after the death of his father, senior member of the firm. Inheriting the sterling qualities of character possessed by the founder of the business, John Isaac Thompson became in his turn the peer of the ablest business men of his city, and under his leadership John L. Thompson Sons & Company retained its long-time prestige and gained added distinction among the wholesale drug firms of the State. He was a man of large interests, serving the Old Troy City National Bank as director for many years, as he did the Albany & Vermont and the Troy & Greenbush railroad companies. He was a vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church for many years and senior warden at the time of his death. The church was one of the deep interests of his life. He, with Mrs. Thompson, founded the little chapel on Green Island that became St. Mark's Episcopal Church; was also one of the chief organizers of St. Barnabas' Protestant Episcopal Church, both of these chapels being placed on a firm financial basis through the efforts and liberality of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson. He served both as a trustee until they became parishes, and for many years he was a trustee of the Church Home in Troy. He was a member of the standing committee of the diocese of Albany, and served on many other important committees, and also represented the diocese on the General Board of Missions of the church. He liberally supported the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and stood the devoted friend of that valuable institution. He was Independent in politics, but never held a political office. He was a member of the Troy Citizens' Corps, and retained membership in the senior company until his death. He was, also, for many years, on the Brigade Staff, New York State National Guard, ranking as captain. He was for years a director of the Troy Club, and was a member of the New York Yacht Club; a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants; and of the Alumni Association of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

John Isaac Thompson married, January 29, 1861, Mary Mabbett Warren, born May 6, 1838, daughter of Hon. Joseph Mabbett and Elizabeth Adelaide (Phelps) Warren, granddaughter of Stephen and Martha Cornell (Mabbett) Warren; and great-granddaughter of Eliakim (2) and Phoebe (Bouton) Warren, who with their sons, Esaias, Nathan and Stephen, left Norwalk, Connecticut, in May, 1798, and in a sloop built for them, named "The Three Brothers," made the voyage by sound and river to Troy, "a thriving village on the upper Hudson river." Eliakim (2) Warren was a son of Eliakim (1) and his wife, Ann Reed; grandson of Edward Warren and his wife, Elizabeth Bouton; and great-grandson of Richard Warren (Waring) who arrived in Boston on the ship "Endeavor" in 1664, and became an original proprietor of Brookhaven, Long Island, where he owned a great deal of land. From Long Island, the family moved to Norwalk, Connecticut, thence to Troy, in 1798. Two children were born to John Isaac and Mary Mabbett (Warren) Thompson, a son, Hobart Warren Thompson, a sketch of whom follows; and a daughter, Mary Warren Thompson, wife of Edward Courtland Gale.

(IX) Major Hobart Warren Thompson was of the ninth American generation of the family founded by Anthony Thompson; eleventh in the Elder William Brewster line; and of the tenth generation of Sir Richard Saltonstall line. He was born in Troy, New York, April 2, 1862, and prepared for college in the Selleck School at Norwalk, Connecticut. He then entered Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, where he was graduated in the class of 1883, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, receiving the degree of Master of Arts in 1886. After a post-graduate course at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, he entered the employ of John L. Thompson Sons & Company, there remaining two years. In 1885 the John L. Thompson Chemical Company was incorporated, with Hobart Warren Thompson as secretary-treasurer and manager. The company acquired a plant in Colonie, across the river from Troy, for the manufacture of chemicals, and for five years it continued in successful operation. In 1890 the business was sold to the Nicholas Chemical Company, of New York City, Hobart Warren Thompson continuing with the purchasing company as manager until 1898, when the plant was absorbed by the General Chemical Company, of New York. For nine years, 1898-1907, Mr. Thompson remained as manager, until the General Chemical Company suspended operations at their Troy plant.

In 1907, after leaving the General Chemical Company, Mr. Thompson became treasurer of the Sirocco Engineering Company, and for about a year engaged in the manufacture of ventilating fans. In 1908 the company sold their plant and business to the American Blower Company. Since this time Major Thompson has been closely engaged in various activities, principally relating to fiduciary and financial matters, as an officer, director or trustee. He is a director of John L. Thompson Sons & Company; director and treasurer of the John L. Thompson Manufacturing Company; trustee of the Troy Savings Bank; and a director of the Union National Bank. He is a director and vice-president of the Troy & Greenbush railroad; director of the Saratoga & Schenectady railroad; Albany & Vermont railroad; Rensselaer & Saratoga railroad; Albany & Vermont railroad; and Troy & Cohoes railroad.

The church is one of the deep interests of his life. He has served St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Troy as vestryman since 1902, and succeeded his father, upon his death in 1901, to the standing committee of the diocese of Albany. He is a trustee and secretary of the William Croswell Doane Fund and on other important diocesan committees. He is a trustee of the Samaritan Hospital; a governor of Marshall Infirmary; and for a number of years was on the board of management of the Young Men's Christian Association. For twenty-two years he has been a director and treasurer of the Troy Boys' Club; a trustee of Troy Orphan Asylum since 1897, and since 1915 has been president. He is a member of the Trinity College Alumni Association; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Alumni Association; Delta Phi fraternity; regent of William Floyd Chapter, Sons of the Revolution; Society of Colonial Wars; New York State Historical Society; the Troy Club; and Misquamicut Golf Club, of Watch Hill, Rhode Island. In 1884 he enlisted in the Troy Citi-

zens' Corps, National Guard of the State of New York, and has been a member of the Senior Company since its organization. In 1886 he was appointed captain and aide de camp on the Third Brigade Staff, and in 1888 was promoted quartermaster, with the rank of major, and was made supernumerary in 1891.

During the World War, Major Thompson was director-general of the War Service League, an organization formed in 1917, to take charge of the various campaigns for war funds and Liberty Loan drives. After a most successful career, this organization was combined with the Troy War Chest, its members taking an active part in its organization, Mr. Thompson becoming its treasurer.

Major Thompson married, April 16, 1895, Grace McLeod, born May 26, 1870, a daughter of Charles A. and Harriet (Rockwood) McLeod, of Troy, New York. Major and Mrs. Thompson are the parents of two children: 1. Hobart Warren (2), born February 20, 1897, a graduate of Yale, class of 1918, and who married, October 16, 1920, Cordelia Houghton McKean, of Troy, and they have one child, Mary Cordelia, born February 26, 1922. He served during the World War, having enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve Corps in June, 1917, and was mustered out of service as ensign in December, 1918. 2. Marion McLeod, born May 28, 1899, who married Orland S. Greene, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

MICHAEL AMBROSE TIERNEY, A. M., LL. D.—One of the prominent figures in the legal profession of his county, Judge Tierney's record at the bar and on the bench has given to the profession an example of probity and faithfulness to duty which may well be emulated by those taking up the responsibilities of legal practice, while his activities in charitable and educational affairs, fraternal organizations, and in citizenship generally, give him a helpful influence in present day affairs. Judge Tierney is a son of Michael and Bridget (Dowdell) Tierney, his father for many years a farmer of Washington county, New York, and from 1888 until 1902 postmaster of Salem in that county.

Michael Ambrose Tierney was born in the village of Salem, Washington county, New York, March 11, 1869. His early education was obtained in the public schools of his birthplace and in Washington Academy at Salem. He then entered Villanova College, at Villanova, Pennsylvania, from which college he was graduated in 1893, as valedictorian of his class, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Two years later he received his Master's degree in the arts from the same institution, and from *alma mater* he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1908. He began the study of law in the office of Townsend, Roche & Nason in November, 1893, and was admitted to practice in June, 1896, practicing law from 1896 to April, 1903, when he was appointed Rensselaer county judge by former Governor Odell to succeed Judge Henry T. Neson. He was elected Rensselaer county judge in 1903 for a six-year term, and reëlected in 1908, serving twelve years and eight months. In January, 1915, Judge Tierney resumed practice of law, forming a co-

partnership with his former preceptor, Hon. William J. Roche, under the firm name of Roche, Tierney & Roche, the firm consisting of William J. Roche, Judge Tierney and William C. Roche. This co-partnership still continues. During the twelve years and nearly nine months of service on the bench Judge Tierney did much for the promotion of law and order, and while the bar welcomed him back, his departure from the bench was regretted. A member of one of the leading law firms in this part of the State, he is counted among the progressive and noteworthy figures in legal circles in Rensselaer county. A Republican by political affiliation, he has never accepted public honors except in the capacity above outlined, though his influence is strongly felt in the party. Fraternally, Judge Tierney was for many years a prominent member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, serving as exalted ruler of Troy Lodge in 1904-1905, and filling the office of district deputy of the North-East District of the State of New York in 1905-1907. Judge Tierney is a member of the Rensselaer County, State and American Bar associations; past president of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; member of the Elks' Club, Troy Club and Troy Chamber of Commerce; director of the Troy Boys' Club; trustee of the Supreme Court Library at Troy; and a member of the board of trustees of the Troy Public Library. Taking a deep interest in all benevolent and civic progress, he devotes much of his time to the aid of worthy movements along various lines. A logical, persuasive and forceful speaker, he is sought for many occasions, and is a valued ally in any good cause. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic church.

Judge Tierney married, in Troy, New York, on March 3, 1908, Bessie M. Carpenter, daughter of Beecher E. and Julia E. (Clark) Carpenter, and they have one daughter, Catherine C., born December 6, 1910.

FRANK B. TWINING—The Twinings of Troy, New York, represented in the eighth American generation by Frank B. Twining, spring from a race that was English before the Conqueror made a home in Gloucestershire. Prior to the Saxon invasion, under Cuthwrin in 577, there is no mention of the name, the patronymic originating at that time. Twyning Manor dates from the time of King Edward I, and since then the name has undergone many different forms of spelling. Many men of fame in the English church and in the professions have borne the name, and in both Wales and Nova Scotia the family is prominent. The descent of Arthur Twining Hadley, president of Yale University, may also be traced back to the same source.

In the United States the family history begins with the coming of William Twining prior to June 1, 1641, his name first appearing in Plymouth records under that date. He was then a resident of Yarmouth, Massachusetts, a town incorporated in 1639. Later he moved to Eastham, where he owned land, served as constable, and died April 15, 1659. That he was a man of some importance is shown by the title "Mr." which was applied to his name in the early records, a distinction not often ac-

corded at that time. His first wife, born in England, was the mother of two children: Isabel, who married Francis Baker, and came to New England; and William (2), of whom further.

William (2) Twining, son of William Twining, was born about 1625 in England, it is believed, and died in Newtown, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, November 4, 1703, his will after an interval of one hundred and eighty years being found in 1885 in the registrar's office in Philadelphia. He is first mentioned in New England records, when he married, in Eastham, Massachusetts. As early as 1677 he was a deacon in the Eastham church, and is alluded to as Deacon Twining as late as 1681. He owned considerable land, and last appears in Eastham records in 1695, the name of himself and his son, William (3), then appearing in a list of legal voters. Previous to that date he had become a member of the Society of Friends, and with the change of religious views came a change in residence, he and his son, Stephen, removing to the new province of Pennsylvania, and locating in Newtown, Bucks county. In 1699 his name appears upon the record of Middletown Friends' Monthly Meeting with that of his son, Stephen, in a discussion concerning the selling of strong drink to the Indians. In 1703 the record states that a marriage was held at his house, and in the same year he passed away. He married Elizabeth Deane, who died December 28, 1708, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth (Ring) Deane. They had seven children, the fourth being a son, William (3), of whom further.

William (3) Twining, son of William (2) and Elizabeth (Deane) Twining, was born January 25, 1654, and died January 23, 1734. There is little known of him beyond the fact that he was a farmer and a mechanic. He did not remove to Pennsylvania with his father and only brother, Stephen, but remained in Eastham, and there spent his eighty years of life. His descendants, while not so numerous as those of Stephen Twining, are characterized as people of note, refinement and success, many having filled the higher walks of life. He married, March 21, 1689, Ruth Cole, born in 1668, died after 1735, daughter of John and Ruth (Snow) Cole, she a "Mayflower" descendant. They were the parents of seven children, descent in this branch being traced through William (4), the fifth child and eldest son, of whom further.

William (4) Twining, son of William (3) and Ruth (Cole) Twining, was born September 2, 1704, and died November 17, 1769. Tradition in the family has it that he was a lawyer of Orleans, Massachusetts. His will was made and probated the year of his death. He married, February 21, 1728, Apphia Lewis, who survived him and was living in 1776. They were the parents of six children, the branch continuing through Thomas, the second child and eldest son, of whom further.

Thomas Twining, son of William (4) and Apphia (Lewis) Twining, was born July 5, 1738, and died April 23, 1816. For fifty years he engaged as a farmer and carpenter, the records of the town and church of Orleans proving him a man of more than common ability. In 1758 he was a corporal, serving in the French and Indian War. He sold his

homestead in Orleans in 1783 to Simeon Higgins, and with his brother, Elijah, removed to Tolland, Massachusetts, later called Granville. There the brothers bought a large farm, upon which they passed the remainder of their lives. In 1797 the Congregational church was organized and Thomas Twining was elected deacon. The house which he built in Tolland is evidence that Deacon Twining was a good carpenter and used the best materials his woods afforded. The gravestones of both Thomas and Elijah Twining are still standing in the lot in Tolland Cemetery. Thomas Twining married (first), January 17, 1766, Alice Mayo, who died without children. He married (second), October 24, 1767, Anna Cole, born December 3, 1740, died October 12, 1828, daughter of Isaac Cole. They were the parents of five children, the second a son, William (5), of whom further.

William (5) Twining, second son of Thomas and Anna (Cole) Twining, was born in Orleans, Massachusetts, December 14, 1769, and died in Tolland, Massachusetts, November 22, 1842. He was the owner of a large farm in Tolland, and in 1810 represented Tolland in the Massachusetts General Court. He married Rebecca Brown, who died in 1857, and they were the parents of ten children, the line continuing through their son, Alfred C., of whom further.

Alfred C. Twining, son of William (5) and Rebecca (Brown) Twining, was born in Tolland, Massachusetts, October 8, 1804, and died in Lansingburg, Rensselaer county, New York, August 31, 1883. He was a merchant of Lansingburg. He was a Congregationalist in religious faith, later a Presbyterian. He married (first) December 15, 1834, Henrietta Hamilton, who died September 8, 1841, leaving children: Maria, Helen, and George C. Twining. He married (second) Mary F. Barton, born April 1, 1818, died May 26, 1886, in Troy, New York. They were the parents of four sons: William B.; Charles B.; Alfred F.; and Frank B., of whom further.

Frank B. Twining, youngest son of Alfred C. and Mary F. (Barton) Twining, was born in Lansingburg (now Troy) New York, September 3, 1856. He attended local academies until sixteen years of age, then entered business life with the National Exchange Bank of Troy, as messenger. He soon advanced in rank and continued with that bank for four years, until 1876, when he entered the employ of Ide Brothers & Bruce, shirt and collar manufacturers of Troy. Nearly half a century has since elapsed, and with each decade Mr. Twining has advanced in rank and influence in the business until he is now the honored head of the corporation of George P. Ide & Company. From 1876 to 1882 he served Ide Brothers & Bruce in a clerical capacity, then was admitted as a partner, the new firm trading under the name of George P. Ide, Bruce & Company. Three years later (1885) Mr. Bruce withdrew, the firm then reorganizing as George P. Ide & Company, Mr. Twining retaining his partnership interest. On January 1, 1920, the firm was incorporated as George P. Ide & Company, Frank B. Twining the first and as yet the only president of the corporation. The business transacted is enormous in volume, the factories of the company manufacturing goods sold literally "every-

where." There is hardly a reputable men's furnishing or department store that does not sell their product, and their plant is one of the largest of its kind. In his rise in the shirt and collar manufacturing business, Mr. Twining has attracted the attention of other corporations, with the result that he is at the head of one of Troy's financial institutions, the People's Bank, of which he was elected president in 1919; he is also trustee of the Troy Savings Bank and the Troy Gas Company. He is a dominant factor in Troy's business and industrial life, a position which he attained unaided, and by the exercise of his abundant energy and ability to plan. During the period of American participation in the World War, 1917-18, Mr. Twining was chairman of the Rensselaer Home Defense Committee and was also Federal food administrator for the county. He took an active part in all movements for the prosecution of the war, and did yeoman service in his particular field. He is a member of the Troy City Planning Commission, warden of the Trinity Episcopal Church, a trustee of the Leonard Hospital, and of the Troy Public Library, and a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. His clubs are the Troy and the Van Schaick Island Golf Club. In 1920 he was Republican presidential elector for New York State.

Mr. Twining married December 12, 1889, Nomina Bucklin, daughter of the late Dr. Daniel E. Bucklin, an eminent physician and surgeon of Lansingburg. Mr. and Mrs. Twining are the parents of two daughters: Eleanor F., who married Gardiner B. Perry, of Boston, vice-president of the American Trading Company, of New York City; and Nomina B., who married James W. Cox, a textile engineer, of New York City.

WILLIAM H. HOLLISTER, JR.—Now in the middle of his eighth decade of life (1923), William H. Hollister, Jr., reviews a life of professional activity which began in the city of Troy as a law student in September, 1871, more than half a century ago. To the professional labors of that period Mr. Hollister has added a great deal of service as a citizen, and a retrospective view of his life reveals the fact that a great deal of his time has been devoted to interests not at all professional nor from which he could derive a fee or reward save the deep satisfaction that comes from unselfish work done for a fellow-man. He is the oldest trustee, in point of years of service, of that venerable and useful institution, the Troy Orphan Asylum, and for nearly half a century has been in the service of great philanthropy. So, too, the Second Presbyterian Church counts him as one of the oldest members of its Session, and he is a charter member of the Young Men's Christian Association and a long-time official. He was one of the organizers of the Silver Bay Association; with one exception, is the oldest in years of service of any practicing attorney at the Rensselaer county bar; and is the dean of all Williams College men in Troy or in the county.

(I) William H. Hollister, Jr., traces descent from Lieutenant John Hollister, who was an Englishman by birth, and came to Massachusetts, where he was admitted a freeman in 1643; was a deputy in 1644; and

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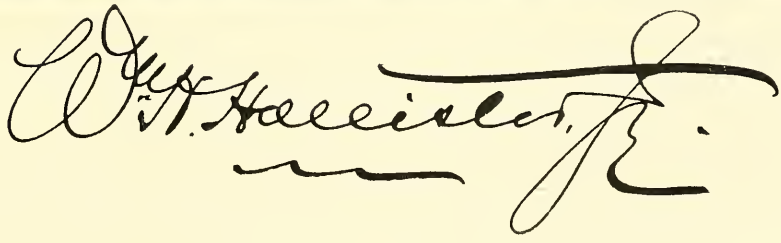

in 1645 represented Wethersfield, Connecticut, in the General Court. He was known as "Lieutenant," and his will, dated April 3, 1665, was probated the following June 2nd. His wife, Joanna Treat, daughter of Richard and Joanna Treat, survived him until April, 1694. Her father was one of the early settlers of Wethersfield, and the father of Richard Treat, governor of Connecticut.

(II) John (2) Hollister, son of John and Joanna (Treat) Hollister, was one of the original proprietors of Glastonbury, Connecticut, where he died November 24, 1711. He married Sarah Goodrich, who died in Glastonbury in 1700, daughter of William and Sarah (Marvin) Goodrich. They were the parents of ten children, the second a son, Deacon Thomas, of further mention.

(III) Deacon Thomas Hollister, son of John (2) and Sarah (Goodrich) Hollister, was born in Wethersfield, Connecticut, and there died, October 12, 1741. He married Dorothy Hills, of Glastonbury, and they were the parents of thirteen children, the eldest a son, Josiah, of further mention.

(IV) Josiah Hollister, son of Deacon Thomas and Dorothy (Hills) Hollister, was born, lived and died in Glastonbury, Connecticut, his death occurring January 3, 1749. He married, January 18, 1718, Martha Miller, daughter of William Miller, and they were the parents of five children, the third a son, Samuel, of further mention.

(V) Samuel Hollister, son of Josiah and Martha (Miller) Hollister, was born in Glastonbury, Connecticut, November 7, 1723, and died in Sharon, Connecticut, February 18, 1771. He married (first) Jemima Phelps, who died in Sharon, October 27, 1764. He married (second) January 1, 1766, Mrs. Mary Chamberlain, who survived him, and married (second) Jonathan Sprague. By his first marriage there were eight children, and by his second wife a daughter, also a son, Timothy, of further mention.

(VI) Timothy Hollister, only son of Samuel and Mary (Chamberlain) Hollister, was born in Sharon, Connecticut, September 26, 1768, died in Coxsackie, Greene county, New York, in July, 1837. He married, April 27, 1800, Althea Cornwell, and the same year moved to Greene county, where he engaged in farming. Mrs. Hollister, born February 9, 1782, survived her husband thirty-seven years, dying May 8, 1874. They were the parents of eleven children, eight of whom married and reared families, among them William Henry, of further mention. There wer fifty grandchildren in the family of Timothy and Althea (Cornwell) Hollister.

(VII) William Henry Hollister, fourth son and fifth child of Timothy and Althea (Cornwell) Hollister, was born in Coxsackie, Greene county, New York, August 25, 1809, and died there September 6, 1895. He was a farmer, and a man highly esteemed. He married, in September, 1833, Judith Ann Lampman, born September 15, 1811, died February 18, 1877, and they were the parents of four sons: 1. John Isaac, born July 2, 1834; married, in 1861, Annie Holme, of Hannibal, Missouri, and now lives in Pasadena, California. 2. Timothy James. born May 26, 1837;

married Adelaide Backus, of Coxsackie, New York; died at Coxsackie, in February, 1897. 3. Martin Luther, born August 2, 1839, a lawyer, practicing first in Hannibal, Missouri, where he was circuit attorney from 1868 to 1870, then practiced two years in St. Louis, Missouri, and since 1872 has practiced law continuously in New York City, and at one time was fire marshal of the city. He married, in 1871, Emily Clute, of Coxsackie. 4. William Henry, Jr., of whom further.

(VIII) William Henry Hollister, Jr., youngest son of William Henry and Judith Ann (Lampman) Hollister, was born in Coxsackie, Greene county, New York. He attended the district schools and Coxsackie Academy, prepared further at Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, and at Hudson River Institute, Claverack, New York, then, in the fall of 1866, entered Williams College. At Williams he became a member of the editorial staff of the "Williams Quarterly," the college magazine, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa honors. He was graduated Bachelor of Arts, class of 1870, and it is a striking fact as well as a fine comment on his loyalty to *alma mater* that in the more than half-century which has since elapsed he has returned to every commencement day at Williams save two, once in 1893, and once in 1909, both absences caused by his being in the far West.

Of his professional activities, Mr. Hollister wrote in answer to the request made at the Semi- Centennial reunion that each member prepare a record of some of the events, happenings and accomplishments of his life for publication in the class report:

> Having in mind the study and practice of the law, and desiring as well to be earning something during my preparation, and thinking I might accomplish this in some government position at Washington, where there was an excellent law school, I made application for a clerkship in the census office. The taking of the 9th Federal Census was then in operation. Our dear old Professor Perry, who was a close friend of General Francis A. Walker, the superintendent of the census, endorsed my application, which resulted in my taking one of the earliest examinations under the Civil Service and the subsequent appointment to a clerkship in that office. Three weeks from my graduation I was on the job and remained in Washington until June, 1871, when I resigned. The opportunities in Washington for combining government work with professional study not being what I had expected, in September I took up the study of law at Troy in the office of General E. F. Bullard, and in September, 1874, I was admitted to the bar at Binghamton after examination at the General Term of the Supreme Court. I became a partner of General Bullard's and so continued for about five years. Later, I became a partner of Nelson Davenport, which partnership lasted for twenty-two years, under the name of Davenport & Hollister. From the time of my admission to the bar I have been continuously in practice for forty-six years in Troy, and with a single exception I am now the longest in service of any practicing attorney in this city. I am also in time of residence the dean of the Williams men in this city and county.

The forty-seven years that Mr. Hollister has been in practice in Troy, New York, have now lengthened to forty-nine, 1874-1923. He is one of the strong men of the Rensselaer county bar and held by his contemporaries in the highest esteem. He has been engaged as counsel in some of the notable legislation of that half-century, and to him has fallen many of the rewards of his profession.

In 1896 Mr. Hollister aided in founding and organizing the Troy

Record Company to publish a new daily paper, Republican in politics, but independent in all matters affecting the public welfare. The Troy "Record" thus founded has become influential and prosperous, having the largest published circulation of any paper in Troy. Mr. Hollister was the first president of the company, his term of service covering the first seven years of the "Record's" life. He was succeeded by another Williams' man, H. S. Ludlow, and still another Williams' graduate, Dwight Marvin, '01, who is now the "Record's" editor-in-chief and has been for several years. The present Young Men's Christian Association of Troy was organized in 1895, Mr. Hollister being a charter member, and until 1921 was associated with the organization as a director, being during that entire period chairman of the department of educational work. During that time he was a delegate to nearly all the International and State conventions of the association, and in 1900 was chosen president of the Biennial State convention, held at Kingston, New York. In 1901, by request, he prepared and delivered an address before the Congregational Club of Boston, on the "History and Work of the Young Men's Christian Association in America."

About the year 1902 Mr. Hollister, with others, organized the Silver Bay Association for Christian Conferences and Training, he being a member of the executive board, later treasurer and chairman. That association has become international in its scope of inspirational and educational work along the special lines of the Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, and missionary activities, and annually draws thousands of persons with serious educational and religious purposes to its grounds on beautiful Lake George for the summer privileges of the conferences.

In speaking of his church, Mr. Hollister wrote concerning his church life:

> I was born and reared in the Old Reformed Dutch Church—now the Reformed church in America. On coming to Troy my church relations were transferred to the Second Presbyterian Church, and so continue. This church has shown me many tokens of its kindly feeling by placing me in its highest official boards. For over thirty-three years I was a trustee and president of the board, and for thirty-nine years have been a member of the Session, nearly twenty-five of which I have served as clerk. Three times the Presbytery of Troy has made me a commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church, United States of America, to wit: 1886, at Minneapolis; 1909, at Denver; and 1914, at Chicago; and for eight years I was a delegate to the Synod of New York.

In 1875 Mr. Hollister was elected a member of the board of trustees of the Troy Orphan Asylum, and for nineteen years he served as secretary of the board. He yet retains his connection as trustee after forty-eight years of efficient, devoted service to one of Troy's most venerable institutions. In 1901 he was elected by the alumni of Williams College to the board of trustees of the college and during most of his term he was secretary of the board. In 1908 he was chosen president of the Williams College Alumni Association of Northern New York. In 1916 he was elected president of the capital district Conference of Charities and Correction at Albany, that district comprising most of the counties of

Northern and Eastern New York. Mr. Hollister is a Republican in politics, but has never held a political office. He was, however, a member of the Troy board of school commissioners, a non-partisan body (so called) of twelve members, that being the one exception to a lifelong practice not to seek nor accept public office. Yet, as the foregoing pages show, he is keenly alive to his responsibilities as a citizen. Another civic service he performed was in 1889; under an act of the Legislature of New York, Mr. Hollister was named one of three commissioners to locate a public market in Troy, and he was made president of the commission.

Although the bar association knows him and his literary work well, Mr. Hollister's only published work is "The First Nine Decades," a historical sketch of the Second Presbyterian Church of Troy, prepared and published by order of the Session of the church and read before the congregation in October, 1916.

Mr. Hollister married, October 16, 1878, Julia Frances Hillman, daughter of Joseph Hillman, of Troy, and they are the parents of a son, Rev. Joseph Hillman Hollister, born in Troy, March 22, 1882. He graduated from Williams College, class of 1904, then became a student of divinity, and since 1910 has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Mt. Vernon, New York. In 1918, under "leave of absence" from his church, he served with the American Expeditionary Forces for six months, as Young Men's Christian Association secretary, stationed at Dunkirk, France. Rev. Joseph Hillman Hollister married Katherine Lawder, of Mount Vernon, and they are the parents of two children: Jane, and Mary Frances, representatives of the tenth generation of Hollisters in New England and New York.

JUDGE WILLIS EDGAR HEATON—The career of Judge Willis Edgar Heaton is a record of hard, consistent, conscientious effort, directed continuously along one line toward a desired goal. The attainment of that goal has in itself constituted success, the desire to achieve which has been at once an inspiration and an impetus all along the way.

Willis Edgar Heaton, son of Charles Edgar and Sarah Ann (Gates) Heaton, was born at Cicero, Onondaga county, New York, September 15, 1861. Charles Edgar Heaton was at that time completing his medical course in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the next year the family moved to Black River, Jefferson county, New York, where the father began the practice of medicine. About seven years afterwards the family moved to Mexico, Oswego county, New York, which was near the old home of Mr. Heaton's wife, Sarah Ann (Gates) Heaton, who was the daughter of Robert Gates, of the Revolutionary Gates family.

At Mexico, Willis E. Heaton continued his early education at Mexico Academy, and even during those days of his elementary training he showed decided promise of large mental calibre, of unusual powers of application, and of an extraordinary penchant for analysis—a promise which became a substantial reality in later life. He graduated from Mexico Academy in 1877, as salutatorian of his class. At that time H.

Willis E. Heaton

Clark Plumley, who was later the editor of the Fargo (North Dakota) "Daily Argus," and an able and enthusiastic journalist, was connected with the Mexico "Independent," and the young graduate entered the printing office of the "Independent" and learned the art of printing and conducting a country newspaper. This early training has greatly influenced the life of Judge Heaton, and during the earlier days he frequently contributed to the press both prose and poetry. After this additional training for college the young printer entered Madison (now Colgate) University, where again he acquired the enviable reputation as a scholar of more than usual ability, and was chosen a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. Just before the close of the year the sight of the right eye became affected and his college course came to an end. After a lapse of about six months he was able to begin the study of law with Hon. George G. French, and with French & Stone, both very able and prominent lawyers in that county. Later he received the appointment of clerk of the Surrogate's Court, the surrogate, Hon. T. W. Skinner, being located in that village. In the fall of 1882 he entered the Albany Law School, and passed the bar examination in January of the next year. When he returned to Mexico he was offered two official positions in the county and also had the opportunity by the invitation of his old friend, Mr. Plumley, to become assistant editor of the Fargo "Daily Argus." It was therefore necessary to decide upon his future and he chose the law. The young lawyer now began to consider where he should locate, and he had several places in mind when Surrogate Skinner said to him one day "that he knew of a town where a lawyer was needed," and he replied: "Then that is where I will go," and he went to Hoosick Falls, New York, and after looking over the town, rented an office and sent for his trunk.

Judge Heaton served as village attorney of Hoosick Falls, and in 1898 was elected supervisor and reëlected in 1900, serving also as chairman of the board of supervisors. As chairman of that board he saw the advantage of putting the purchasing of all county supplies into the hands of a responsible, expert buyer, but failing in this, he drew and secured the passage of a law vesting the purchasing of county supplies in a committee of the board. In 1901 he was elected surrogate and reëlected in 1907, serving twelve years. During the last years of his first term Surrogate Heaton devoted his spare time to writing a book on the duties of executives and administrators, and the law and practice in Surrogate's Court, and from time to time the book has been re-written and enlarged, the fourth edition having been issued by Matthew Bender & Sons, Albany, in 1921, and it is now the standard authority in New York State on that subject.

In the years 1911 and 1912 there was much discussion about reforming and simplifying the practice in the Surrogate's Court, and the New York State Bar Association, of which he was an active member, took up the subject and authorized the formation of a Surrogates' Association, of which Surrogate Heaton was its first president. Later it was decided to draft a new surrogate's code, and when the action was au-

thorized by the Legislature, he was appointed to render that service in connection with a committee from the Surrogates' Association. The result of their labors was enacted into law in 1914 and was reënacted when important changes in legal practice was made in 1921. Since leaving the bench Judge Heaton has practiced law in Troy and Hoosick Falls as senior member of the firm of Heaton & Mambert.

Judge Heaton is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church; president of the Hoosick Falls Free Library; a governor of the Hoosick Club and of the Country Club; and vice-president of the Hoosick Falls Cemetery Association; and member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Republican Club, of Troy. In 1915 he was a member of the Constitutional Convention to revise the Constitution of the State. Judge Heaton is also author of a treatise entitled, "Surrogates' Courts," two volumes, published in 1907, which deals with the law and procedure of surrogates' courts, and which has a well-established reputation as an authoritative work on the subject.

Judge Heaton married, on December 27, 1888, Mrs. Mary (Harper) Skinner, of Hoosick Falls, New York.

CORNELIUS F. BURNS—Not only one of the best known and most highly esteemed men of the city of Troy, Cornelius F. Burns also has the honor of having served as mayor of that city longer than any other who has been chosen to fill that responsible office. He served for eight years and during that time established a record for enthusiastic, able, and devoted service which has not been surpassed. It is said of him that no man ever did more for the city of Troy than he and those who make that statement point to the Ford plant as one of the most convincing evidences of the truth of their assertion. "It was Mr. Burns who worked early and late to get Mr. Ford to establish an auxiliary plant here," and after they have enumerated some of the many advantages which that plant offers to the community, they speak of other services rendered by Mr. Burns.

The Burns family of Troy was founded in the United States by John Burns, who was born in Ireland, and who soon after his arrival in this country settled at Troy, New York, where he engaged in business as an undertaker and where he also served as sexton of St. Peter's Church, the oldest Catholic church in Troy. His son John W., is of further mention.

John W. Burns, son of John Burns, was born in Troy, in 1840, and died there in 1883. He built up and expanded the business which his father had established, and became widely known as an undertaker and funeral director. A member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, he was noted for the generosity with which he gave to charitable cases in connection with both his church and his city. He married Ellen Gorman, who was born in Ireland, but died in Troy, on February 26, 1907, and they were the parents of four sons and one daughter: John George, deceased; Cornelius F., of further mention; James H.; David A., deceased; and Nellie M.

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Cornelius F. Burns, son of John W. and Ellen (Gorman) Burns, was born in Troy, New York, and after receiving a preparatory education in the public schools of Troy and in St. Peter's Parochial School, completed his preparation for an active career in La Salle Academy. His academic training was terminated when his father's death occurred and he became associated in the latter's undertaking establishment with his brothers, John, George, and James H., who assumed control of that well established business. During the more than four decades which have passed since that time the business has steadily grown and prospered and the J. W. Burns' Sons have established a reputation for tactful, courteous service, and honorable methods.

Apart from his business life the career of Cornelius F. Burns presents several phases of more than usual interest. At the age of twenty he became a member of the Trojan Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3, and as a volunteer fireman he served so enthusiastically that he was much in the public eye, also later was president of the company for ten years. During that period of his life when entering manhood years and later, he led parades, was commander or marshal at cornerstone layings, dedications, and centennial celebrations. There is an interesting story told of Mr. Burns in connection with this feature of his career. When President McKinley visited Troy, in 1897, "Connie" Burns, as he was and is familiarly known, was marshal of the parade. When the procession reached City Hall the people literally choked the streets and although the police tried their best, the Presidential carriage could not pass through. But Marshal Burns took the "bit in his teeth" and riding his beautiful thoroughbred into the crowd, his aroused horse kicking and plunging but thoroughly under the control of his expert rider, he cleared the way for the President's carriage without injury to anyone. This met with much applause, in which the President joined. Mr. Burns also had charge of the parade of the State Firemen's Association held in the evening, which acted as an escort to the President to the railroad station. Shortly before the time for the departure of the President, Mr. Burns was summoned by Secretary of War Alger to see the chief executive of the Nation, who complimented Mr. Burns upon the splendid manner in which everything connected with the demonstration had been carried out, adding that he had never seen anything of the size and nature of the Troy affair so well and capably managed and that Mr. Burns was a young man of remarkable executive ability, referring to him as "The Little Napoleon," a title which still clings to him.

The mammoth charity fairs held in the old State Armory for the local hospitals were greatly helped by his coöperation, and often organizations enlisted his efforts in the direction of similar affairs, for he had the ability to inspire others and win success. He was chairman of the executive committee of the "Old Home Week" celebration in 1908, and of the Hudson-Fulton celebration, 1909. These two memorable events in the history of Troy and were wonderful exhibitions of civic pride; no city in the Hudson Valley equaling Troy's part in the latter celebration.

The flag flown by the "Tara," flagship of the Upper Hudson Committee of the Hudson-Fulton celebration, was presented personally to Chairman Burns in recognition of his valuable services, and Troy was hailed as the city which had the best arrangements and demonstration, as well as the best decorations. He was also presented with shell of the last shot fired in closing the celebration.

In 1906 Mr. Burns was elected president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and in that office he redoubled his zeal and became a bundle of concentrated energy. Sparing no one, he began a fight for Troy's recognition as a commercial and industrial center and waged that fight with all his resources until he emerged victorious. This fight coupled with his later management of the two great celebrations referred to, again brought Mr. Burns prominently into the public eye and he was frequently mentioned for public office, but he consistently declined all offers until finally in 1911 he was compelled by the universal demand of the voters to accept the nomination of the Democratic party for mayor. Mr. Burns made an exceedingly attractive candidate, receiving surprising support from Republicans and Independents, even the Republican leaders seeming to feel that Troy needed such a "political dynamo" in the City Hall as the Democratic candidate. He predicted his own election early in the campaign with the greatest confidence, asserting it would be by "no mean margin," and was seemingly not at all surprised when he was declared elected by nearly two thousand majority against the beaten candidate. Once in office he continued as mayor—what for thirty years he had done as a citizen—fight for the betterment and development of Troy. He threw all his great energy into the work of building a bigger, better Troy. He was returned to office for a second, a third, and a fourth term, and was nominated for the fifth term but declined—a record for length of time in office not equaled by any of the thirty-seven mayors elected since 1816. During his third term Mayor Burns shared with John Purroy Mitchel, of New York City, the distinction of being the best mayors of the State. In 1916 he was elected president of the New York State Conference of Mayors and Other City Officials, his choice being the unanimous act of the conference, and the following year he was re-elected. In the middle of his third term the "Albany Knickerbocker Press" made reference to Mayor Burns' administration in the following words: "Mayor Burns of Troy has served his city for almost four years. If there is a better mayor in the State of New York, the 'Knickerbocker Press' is unable to name him. The people of Troy are extremely fortunate in having such a man as Cornelius F. Burns for Mayor."

Mayor Burns was in office from January 1, 1912, to January 1, 1920, eight years of true progress. But greater than the great strides in public improvements was the improvement in city finances and this may be said to be the greatest of all official service Mayor Burns rendered his city. For the first time in two decades the bonded indebtedness of the city was reduced and by the substantial sum of half a million dollars.

While the reduction of the city's bonded indebtedness was an accom-

plishment of itself, more remarkable, however, is the fact that in conjunction with this reduction he brought about a lower tax rate. This was a two-fold municipal stroke that has never been matched in the history of the city. How it was possible to effect such municipal economy was a matter of much wonderment because of the extraordinary adverse conditions then existing, the World War being in progress and the cost of labor and material at the highest peak. Furthermore, notwithstanding that five times wages of city employees were increased, the tax rate for any year of his eight years as chief executive was not higher than that of the year he first took office; another record that is yet to be equaled in the municipal government of Troy. The "pay-as-you-go system" was adopted and the administration liquidated $150,000 of interest-drawing debt that had been hanging over the city for years. In the public works department the mayor made it a personal matter to see that the people got value received for every dollar invested. Among improvements credited to the Burns administration these stand out prominently: the rehabilitation of the municipal water system and placing it on a self-sustaining basis; the erection of a fine modern system of ornamental street lights; a vast amount of paving on business and residence streets. Among the improvements begun by Mayor Burns since completed are: motorizing the fire department and establishing a paid department; installation of a new fire alarm and police signaling system; improvement of the river front and harbor; the city of Troy and the Federal government coöperating.

Under the act approved by Governor Dix and championed by Mayor Burns, by which thoroughfares within a municipality which are connecting links of a State highway receive State aid, the State paid a large share of the cost of improving the nine approaches to and in Troy. Also during his administration three toll bridges entering the city were made free. The most important of these was the Congress Street Bridge, spanning the Hudson between Troy and Watervliet, as was brought about in a unique manner. A bill was prepared as early as 1914 to make a State highway trunk line afterwards known as Route 42. This highway designedly took in the Congress Street Bridge, so that, obviously, in creating such a trunk line the State would necessarily take over the bridge. The real purpose of the bill was known only to Mr. Burns and the attorney who drew it up and its significance not generally realized until the time came to get through the Legislation in 1919. This was a fight that demanded the force and earnestness such as he alone possessed.

The bill was finally passed however, and was up to the governor. It was doubted that the governor would sign it and here again Mayor Burns was equal to the occasion and he organized a State-wide agitation in favor of the bill and a delegation and demonstration such as was never seen there before, stormed the Capitol for the hearing given by the governor. Governor Smith signed the bill and Mayor Burns was given the pen with which this important act of legislation was signed. Subsequently Senator John J. Mackrell fathered a bill appropriating the funds necessary for the purchase of the bridge by the State.

As Troy's war mayor, Mr. Burns met to the full the demands of that strenuous time. He supervised the farewell given to the volunteers from the old 2nd Regiment and cared for the soldiers' wants. When the drafted men went away he marched to the railroad station with each group and had a word for every man. He kept the city up to a high state of patriotic fervor, and with ease the various "drives" were carried forward, and no untoward incident marred Troy's part in the war. The many parades and demonstrations were brought to a successful close when it was all over by a cordial "welcome home" to the boys. As mayor of Troy he became chairman of the County Red Cross which did so much for the returned soldiers, wounded and needy, and after ceasing to be mayor he continued his interest in the work.

The great fight Mayor Burns made for the development of the People's Water Power of the State and the work he did in having Henry Ford obtain a lease of the water power at the Troy dam is now history. He worked as never man worked to have the bill passed through Congress, conquered finally every obstacle at Washington and Albany, and gave to Troy an improvement, the value of which cannot be computed. The Troy "Times" said editorially:

> While it is true that many others in this city—individuals, corporations and organizations—have joined with him in giving their services in the campaign to secure the Ford license, it is the dynamic determination of Cornelius F. Burns that has turned the fight into a victory. Time after time Mr. Burns has journeyed on short notice to New York and Washington in behalf of this important project. Twice he has gone to Detroit. Those who have done likewise have done so usually in company with him or at his suggestion. It is reasonable to say that this license would not have been granted by the present commission and might have been delayed, if not defeated, without his energetic efforts. In our rejoicing that the end is now in sight we should not forget the splendid resourcefulness exhibited by the former Mayor in attacking every obstacle until the Ford factory was assured to Troy.

Some of the things that have been said in the Troy newspapers concerning Mr. Burns, follow:

> Home Week goes down into history as the most notable and crowning success of all the city's festivals.
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> Concerning his services as Chairman of the Troy Executive Committee during a period of many months and the actual time of the Hudson-Fulton celebration, two weeks, including features at every important city along the Hudson river from New York to Troy, Mr. Burns received what constituted to his mind, the best possible award for all his efforts, namely, the official recognition of Troy as the city furnishing the best celebration of all.

The Troy "Standard" clearly voiced the enthusiastic appreciation of all that Mr. Burns accomplished:

> If there is one man who deserves credit more than another, it is Corneluis F. Burns, on whom devolved the greatest responsibility for Troy's celebration. Patiently and unselfishly, and dominated solely by a sense of civic pride, he worked incessantly for weeks and months, looking carefully after every detail and meeting many obstacles which would have discouraged a less determined man—Troy owes a debt of gratitude to Mr. Burns which she will not be slow in acknowledging.

General Stewart L. Woodford, president of the State Committee, at

the close of the celebration paid high tribute to the energy and efficiency of Cornelius F. Burns, and the Troy "Times" said:

> One man gave his time and effort and money for months, as he has done on more than one occasion before, with just as devoted a purpose as the explorer or the inventor, and that was "Con F. Burns."

As president of the Chamber of Commerce he served with unusual distinction and when he retired from this office he received, at the farewell function, an enthusiastic demonstration which was most fitting. The Troy "Press" said:

> For three years he has given freely of time and money with an unlagging enthusiasm for Troy's progress which has placed him in the front rank of the public-spirited citizens of this municipality.

The first term of Mayor Burns presented the opportunity to demonstrate in a conspicuous way his remarkable capacity and his business ability to cope with emergencies when there came upon his city, as well as others at that time, the great flood, in March, 1913. Of his numerous activities as mayor, none received such high and universal praise as did his work during this calamity that fell so heavily upon many homes in his city. The press was both generous and just in its applause of his work during those trying days. A few comments may be quoted as an example of what all conceded:

The Troy "Times," March 29, 1913, said:

> Mayor Burns measured up to the great emergency. He was everywhere, with his characteristic and indefatigable energy, and was all that a Mayor should be.

The Albany "Telegram," of April 6, 1913, said:

> Mayor Cornelius F. Burns emerged from the distressful situation the hero of the event, and with the blessing of all the afflicted pouring on his head for the generous and indefatigable efforts he promptly organized for the relief of the distressed. The Mayor was not behindhand in the matter, for all Tuesday night he remained in his office, and assumed personal charge of the department of public safety and made every possible effort to prepare the people for the danger that awaited them.
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> During the three days of the flood it is doubtful whether Mayor Burns obtained more than fourteen hours' sleep and in addition to this his own dwelling and business place was inundated in the cellar by the water, but with characteristic unselfishness, he devoted all his time and attention to the distress of others.

The Utica "Globe" of April 11, 1913, said:

> The manner in which Mayor Cornelius F. Burns handled the perplexing situation which arose in Troy during the trying days of the flood has brought to him many deserved expressions of commendation. He handled every situation superbly. This statement is true and deserved, and no higher compliment can be given him. * * *

A typical American, courteous, kindly, of sterling qualities of character, Mr. Burns has a host of friends in both social and business life. He holds membership in Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; Trojan Hook and Ladder Company; Troy Club; Van Schaick Island and Wolfert's Post Country clubs; Laureate Boat Club. His business connections include membership in the boards of directors of the Manufacturers' National Bank, of Troy; The Arrow Grip Manufacturing Company, Glen

Falls, New York; the Central New York Mortgage and Home Building Company, Inc., and the Central New York Title Guaranty Company, of Albany. He is also a director and an honorary president of the New York State Conference of Mayors and Other City Officials, a past president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and a director New York State Association. He is a splendid horseman and one of his chief pleasures is in owning, driving and riding fine horses, and is equally at home in sulky or saddle. At the time of the Park Club Driving Club Association's existence, one of the fine organizations of its kind in Northern New York, Mr. Burns was president of the association and very active in the promotion of its interests. He was one of the promoters and the first president of The Troy Riding Club, some of the finest horses in the country having been owned by members of that club. In fact, Mayor Burns is exceedingly partial to all out-of-doors sports and in the "olden times" he and his brother, James, were among the best amateur baseball players. After his retirement from the mayoralty office, Mr. Burns continued to be interested and active in civic affairs and in the promotion of projects for the public good. His activities and achievements as mayor brought him into the public eye, not only throughout his own State, but far beyond its borders, and his popularity, though a source of envy in some quarters, was such that he was tendered, but declined, nomination for United States Senator and for State comptroller, at a time when those nominations were apparently, as they proved to be, equal to election. Mr. Burns has also the rare honor of having received the endorsement of the Rensselaer Democracy as a candidate for governor in 1921, when the nomination for that high office hung in the balance between Governor Smith and William Randolph Hearst.

JAMES H. BURNS—The undertaking business in Troy, New York, which has been conducted by members of the Burns family for three generations, has engaged the attention of Mr. Burns ever since his school days. He is a man of modesty and unwilling to admit the full value of his contribution to the civic progress of the community.

James H. Burns was born at Troy, New York, a son of John W. and Ellen (Gorman) Burns. His education began in St. Peter's Parochial School and continued in La Salle Institute and the Troy Business College. After completing the business course, he began to learn the details of the undertaking business with his father. This enterprise was established about 1835, by John Burns, and at his death the business was continued by his son, John W., who was born in Troy, in 1840, and who took over the undertaking and livery business, being a pioneer in conducting the latter, which grew to be the largest and best equipped establishment of its kind in the city. In addition to the time required in promoting the best interest of his undertaking business, he took an active part in civic betterment and devoted much attention to charitable work, being especially interested in the home for the poor and aged. He was also trustee of the Troy Hospital and St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

He accepted only one political office, that of coroner, being appointed by Governor Seymour. His honorable and highly successful career was brought to a close in death, which occurred April 9, 1881, being survived by the following five children: John George, deceased; Cornelius F.; James H.; David A., deceased; and Nellie M. The business is now controlled by Cornelius F. and James H. Burns, subject of this sketch.

Mr. Burns has been a Democrat in politics all his life, but never sought any office. He was appointed postmaster of Troy, New York, by President Wilson, May 4, 1914, and reappointed November 21, 1918. After retirement from that office, in November, 1922, he returned to active participation in the affairs of the undertaking business. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; Laureate Boat Club; and Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In religion he is a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Burns was united in marriage with Jessie M. Kehn, who is a native of Troy, New York.

GEORGE PECK IDE—Among those who have contributed to the economic prosperity of the city of Troy, New York, by founding a business organization which has become one of the best known concerns of its kind in the country, is the late George P. Ide, founder of the enterprise known throughout the world as George P. Ide & Company, a collar manufacturing concern.

The Ide family, which has been prominent in the business, civic and social life of Troy, New York, for the past half-century, bears a name which appears upon the early New England records, variously spelled Hyde or Hide, Iyde, Ide Iyd, and Yde, and traces its descent from one Nicholas (1) Ide (or Hyde), who died in England early in the seventeenth century, leaving a son, Nicholas (2). The widow of Nicholas (1) Ide (or Hyde) married (second) Thomas Bliss, and it was with his mother's second husband and family that Nicholas (2) Ide, immigrant ancestor of the Ide family in this country, came to America in 1636.

(I) Nicholas (2) Ide, son of Nicholas (1) Ide, was born in England about 1624, and died at Rehoboth, Massachusetts, October 18, 1690. After living in several different localities with his step-father's family, he removed to Rehoboth, Massachusetts, in 1643. There he later became a freeman in 1648, and became the owner of considerable land. He took an active part in public affairs, serving as surveyor of the highways of Rehoboth, and in various other public offices, and he was also one of the committee appointed to settle the dispute with King Philip, the Indian chief. He and his wife, Martha, were the parents of ten children: Nathaniel; Mary, who married Samuel Fuller; John; Nicholas (3), of further mention; Martha, who married Samuel Walker; Elizabeth; Timothy; Dorothy; Patience, who married Samuel Carpenter; and Experience.

(II) Nicholas (3) Ide, fourth child of Nicholas (2) and Martha Ide, was born at Rehoboth, in November, 1654, and died June 5, 1723. He removed from Rehoboth to Attleboro, Massachusetts, which town he repre-

sented in the General Court of Massachusetts in 1713-14. He was also a warrior in King Philip's War, 1675-76, serving under Major Bradford. He married (first), December 27, 1677, at Rehoboth, Mary Ormsbee. She died September 9, 1690, and he married (second) Elizabeth Hewins. Children of the first marriage were: Nathaniel, Jacob, Martha, Patience, and John. Children of the second marriage: Benjamin, of further mention; Nicholas (4); and Nicholas (5).

(III) Benjamin Ide, son of Nicholas (3) and Elizabeth (Hewins) Ide, was born at Reboboth, Massachusetts, December 5, 1693, baptized March 24, 1700. He married Elizabeth Slack, November 29, 1716, at Attleboro, and they were the parents of children, among whom was Nicholas (6), of further mention.

(IV) Nicholas (6) Ide, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Slack) Ide, was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, July 18, 1717. He married and became the father of children, among whom was Benjamin (2), of further mention.

(V) Benjamin (2) Ide, son of Nicholas (6) Ide, was born October 27, 1754, died April 13, 1857. He married and reared a family of children, among whom was Thomas, of further mention.

(VI) Thomas Ide, son of Benjamin (2) Ide, was born April 21, 1779, died November 19, 1857. He married and among his children was William, of further mention.

(VII) William Ide, son of Thomas Ide, was born July 1, 1799, and died January 13, 1882. He was a farmer of the town of Corinth, Saratoga county, New York; justice of the peace and a man of influence in town affairs. He married (first) Mary Noyce; (second) Sally Carpenter; (third) Deborah Early. Children of first wife: William, Samuel and Lydia. Children of second wife: Daniel, John, Nathan, George P., of further mention; Almira, Gilbert Chauncy, and Reuben; no issue by third wife.

(VIII) George Peck Ide, son of William and Sally (Carpenter) Ide, was born at Corinth, Saratoga county, New York, February 28, 1836, died at Troy, New York, March 3, 1907. After receiving a practical education he engaged in agricultural pursuits on his father's farm. He remained a farmer until reaching legal age, when he quickly absorbed the details of collar manufacture, and in 1865, at the age of twenty-nine years, began business for himself with a partner, S. V. R. Ford. Samuel N. Ide was admitted in 1867, and in 1878 the original firm dissolved to be reorganized by George P. Ide, James N. Ide, F. B. Twining, and Charles E. Bruce, as George P. Ide, Bruce & Company, a firm which in 1884 became George P. Ide & Company, under which name it became known to a world-wide patronage. In 1920 the firm was incorporated under the same name.

For twenty-five years George P. Ide was president of the Manufacturers' Bank of Troy, was vice-president of the Security Trust Company, and director of the Security Safe Deposit Company of Troy, and of the Adirondack Trust Company of Saratoga, New York. He was president of the Troy Telephone & Telegraph Company, the American

District Telegraph Company, and of the Magnetic Ore Separator Company. He was a director of the United Traction Company, Hudson River Telephone Company, Troy Gas Company, Troy and West Troy Bridge Company, was a trustee of Samaritan Hospital, and closely identified with Troy's progress in other lines. He was one of the founders of the Park Club, owned many trotting horses and was very fond of driving them. In politics he was a Republican, but never accepted an office.

George Peck Ide married (first), in 1863, Sarah R. Marshall, daughter of Alba Marshall, who died leaving an only son, Alba Marshall, of further mention. He married (second) Mary Ella Savage, and to this marriage the following children were born: Herbert Savage, of further mention; A. Harris; George P., Jr.; Caroline, married Albert E. Cluett, of Troy, New York; and Edith G., married Joseph O. Eaton, of Cleveland, Ohio.

(IX) Alba Marshall Ide, son of George P. and Sarah R. (Marshall) Ide, was born in Troy, New York, October 2, 1866. He received his early education in the public schools of Troy and then completed his preparations for an active career by taking courses in Troy Academy and in Mount Anthony Seminary, at Bennington, Vermont. When his academic training was completed, he at once became associated with the George P. Ide & Company manufacturing concern, and on December 1, 1889, when he was twenty-three years of age, he became a partner in that large and well-known enterprise. Since that date he has been continuously connected with this great Troy firm, and on February 1, 1920, when the business was incorporated, he was elected vice-president. He is known as a man of large business ability and in addition to his responsibilities in connection with the George P. Ide & Company concern, he is also vice-president and a member of the board of directors of the Manufacturers' National Bank, of Troy, a director of the Security Trust Company, a member of the board of trustees of the Troy Gas Company, a member of the board of directors of the Boston & Maine railroad, and he is also an active member of the official boards of several of the benevolent and educational institutions of the city of Troy. Politically Mr. Ide gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party, in the affairs of which he takes an active part. He is president of the Rensselaer County Republican Club, has been delegate or alternate to the last five national Republican conventions, and is one of the leaders of the party in his county. In 1909 he was elected presidential elector for the Twenty-second Congressional District, and served as secretary of the Electoral College. He is widely known and highly esteemed both as a business man of exceptional ability and as a public-spirited citizen, who is always ready to contribute generously of his time and means for the public good. He is a member of the Troy Club and of the Mount Anthony Country Club, and is an attendant of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church.

Alba Marshall Ide married Gertrude Knight, on September 27, 1893, daughter of Joseph and Gertrude (Van Hoovenberg) Knight, of Troy, and a granddaughter of Richard Knight, born in Renham, England,

died in Troy, New York, son of William Knight, of England. He married Sarah Carman, born in London, England, daughter of Dr. Carman of that city. Joseph Knight was a publisher of Central Massachusetts. Alba M. and Gertrude (Knight) Ide are the parents of four children: Eleanor, educated in Emma Willard School, Troy, and Westover School for Girls, Middlebury, Connecticut; Sarah Marshall, educated in the same school as her sister, married L. Tyler Smyser, of Louisville, Kentucky, and has a daughter, Frances; Gertrude Knight, and Mary Ella, both educated in Emma Willard and Westover schools.

(IX) Herbert Savage Ide, son of George Peck and Mary Ella (Savage) Ide, was born in Troy, New York, January 14, 1870. After receiving his early education in the public schools of Troy he became a student in Williams College, in Williamstown, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1892 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Immediately after his graduation he became associated with the well-known collar manufacturing concern established by his father, and throughout the period of his active career to the present time (1923) he has been devoting his time and energy to the advancement of the interests of that enterprise. His father had already not only established a most successful business concern but he had also founded the enterprise upon principles of integrity and honor and had made a reputation for efficiency and for superior quality of his product. The principles and ideals which from the beginning have been the "soul of business," have been carefully guarded by the younger members of the family as they have become associated with the business and Herbert Savage Ide is contributing his full share to maintaining the standards set by his father. He is now treasurer of the corporation and during the more than thirty years which have passed since he became identified with the firm, he has consistently stood for progress and for integrity of business methods. In addition to his duties and responsibilities as one of the owners as well as an official of the best-known collar manufacturing concern in the world, Mr. Ide is also officially connected with several financial institutions, including the Manufacturers' National Bank, of which he is a member of the board of directors; Troy Savings Bank, which he serves as a member of the board of trustees; and the Security Safe Deposit Company, of which he is a director. With all his many business activities Mr. Ide has found time for community and civic service. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the Samaritan Hospital, and of the Marshall Infirmary, and he has also rendered public service as a member of the American District Telegraph Company. During the World War he was one of the most active in promoting the activities of the various "drives," taking an active part in the Liberty Loan, War Chest, and War Service campaigns, as well as contributing generously himself. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Delta Psi college fraternity, and he is also a member of the Troy Club, and of the Williams College Club of New York City. Mr. Ide is highly esteemed not only among those with whom he comes in contact in his various business activities, but as a public-spirited citizen and a

man of sterling qualities of character as well. His religious affiliation is with St. John's Episcopal Church, of Troy, which he serves as a vestryman.

Herbert Savage Ide married Alice Sabine Clarke, at Syracuse, New York, June 8, 1899, daughter of John Seymour and Helen (Chittenden) Clarke, and they are the parents of four children: George P. (2), who is associated with the George P. Ide & Company concern; Herbert S., Jr., who is a student in Williams College, class of 1925; Harlow C., who is a student in Albany Academy; and Marian T., who is studying in the Emma Willard School.

EMMOTT HOWD, M. D., F. A. C. S.—A fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and one of the most distinguished surgeons of Rensselaer county, New York, Dr. Howd has had a very interesting career. He was born at Schenectady, New York, April 5, 1872, son of Harvey W. and Isabella (Mowers) Howd. His father, who is now dead, was a business man, and had many connections in Schenectady, in both business and social affairs. Dr. Howd's mother, who was a member of an old New York family, died some years ago.

Dr. Howd received his preliminary education in the public schools of Schenectady. After having completed the grammar school course, he proceeded to the Union Classical Institute, now known as the Schenectady High School, where he was prepared for college. He was graduated from the Union Classical Institute as a member of the class of 1889, and in the autumn of the same year was enrolled as a student at Colgate University. As a student, Dr. Howd won the approval of his instructors and fellow undergraduates, who admired his manifest devotion and ability. He took an especial interest in the humanities and in certain scientific subjects and established something of a record for scholarship. At the end of his third year, however, he was compelled by adverse circumstances to give up his collegiate career and to find work. In spite of this misfortune, he decided to continue his education along professional lines, and after careful consideration of his abilities and inclinations determined to become a physician. He found congenial employmen which would enable him to finance himself and at the same time leave him sufficient leisure time in which to attend his classes and prepare his assignments. He then entered the Albany Medical College in order to acquire his professional training and found his studies no less interesting than he had hoped. He completed the full course of study and was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine as a member of the class of 1898. Immediately after his graduation he was appointed assistant surgeon at the Troy Hospital, and during the time he spent there he acquired a great deal of valuable practical experience, which supplemented his theoretical training. During the period of his work at the Troy Hospital he decided to engage in post-graduate study in New York City and spent some time in special work at St. John's Hospital and the Lying-in-Hospital in New York. Finally, in 1899, being fully qualified by training and experience for the management of an indepen-

dent practice, he returned to Troy and opened an office in the city. At first, his practice was general, but his tastes and abilities were markedly surgical, and before long he devoted himself to surgery exclusively. In 1900 he was appointed assistant surgeon at the Troy Hospital, and in this capacity he served the hospital until 1914, when he became surgeon and was given charge of the surgical department of the Leonard Hospital. His private practice has grown steadily in size and he has become known as one of the leading surgeons of the county. Many of his operations have attracted widespread attention among members of the medical profession, and his powers of quick diagnosis and his unerring technical skill have enabled him to save many lives. Nowhere is this more true than in the case of workers for the various corporations for which he acts as surgeon. He has charge of the industrial hospitals of the Ludlow Valve Company; Cluett, Peabody & Company; Earl & Wilson; and the Adams Laundry Machine Company, all of whom maintain plants at Troy. The cares connected with his work for these industries, in addition to his private practice and hospital work, demand a large part of his time; yet he takes the greatest pains to keep abreast of the latest scientific developments, not only in the theory and practice of his own profession, but also in those of various allied branches, such as dentistry and chemistry, in-so-far as it relates to human health and the discovery of disease bacteria. Dr. Howd serves on the staff of the Leonard Hospital, and on the staff of St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital, where he acts as obstetrician. He also serves as lecturer at these hospitals. Dr. Howd's attainments are generally recognized and his judgment is regarded with the highest respect by all ranks of the medical profession. His success has been due from the beginning to his wholehearted devotion to his work, his unquestioned ability, and his tireless energy, and his efforts in behalf of the community are deeply appreciated by his fellow-citizens.

Dr. Howd is a member of many professional fraternal, and social organizations. He belongs to the American Medical Association; the New York State Medical Society; the Rensselaer County Medical Society; the Third District (New York State) Medical Society; and the American College of Surgeons, of which he is a fellow. His college fraternities are the Beta Theta Phi; the Theta Nu Epsilon; the Beta Delta Beta; and the Nu Sigma Nu, and he retains a lively interest in the work and meetings of these organizations. He is a member of Trojan Lodge, No. 27, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to the Troy Club. He is a Mason of high standing, having attained the thirty-second degree, and holds membership in Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; the Mystic Shrine; and the Albany Consistory. In spite of the many cares and demands of his professional career, Dr. Howd takes great pleasure in outdoor recreations. He is especially fond of hunting, fishing, and mountain climbing, and whenever he can find time for a vacation, whether long or short, he devotes it to

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one of these sports. He is well acquainted with Eastern mountains, and knows the best trails in the White Mountains and the Adirondacks. He is a great believer in the National parks of America, and never wearies of praising the unrivalled advantages they offer to those in search of recreation and rest. The National forests, with their beauty, freedom, and forms of wild life, which only too frequently can be found nowhere else, appeal to him greatly and he finds no vacation comparable to the one which may be spent in these national playgrounds. He is no less fond of the hunting and fishing afforded by the hills and streams of his native State, and never fails to take advantage of the open season for game. As a keen sportsman, Dr. Howd is a vigorous advocate of conservation measures, and regards it as the duty of each individual sportsman to support and aid the government and the State Conservation commismissions by scrupulous observance of hunting and fishing rules and regulations and by the prompt denunciation of sportsmen using illegal or questionable methods or poaching upon public preserves. As a sportsman, Dr. Howd has become widely known for his skill in marksmanship, and his ability with rod and line is no less well established.

Dr. Howd married, in 1900, at Watervliet, New York, Sarah E. Powers. Mrs. Howd is a native of Watervliet, and spent her life in that town until her marriage. Dr. and Mrs. Howd have two sons: Helmer Powers, who is a student in the class of 1925 at Colgate University; and Emmott, Jr., who is also attending Colgate University, being a student in the class of 1927.

DWIGHT MARVIN—Educated for the law, Dwight Marvin sidestepped but did not leave professional company, only substituting journalism for the law, beginning as a reporter on the Troy "Times" and rising to the position he has filled for a number of years, editor of the Troy "Record," morning and evening.

Dwight Marvin is a son of Rev. Dwight E. and Ida Norton (Whitman) Marvin, and a descendant of Reinold Marvin, who was a son of Edward and Margaret Marvin, and was baptized in St. Mary's Church, Great Bentley, Essex, England, June 7, 1593, died in Lyme, New London county, Connecticut, in 1662. Reinold Marvin appeared in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1638, later moving to Farmington, thence to Saybrook, where he was made a freeman on May 20, 1658. Later he built a house in Lyme, retaining his home lot and considerable property in Saybrook. Reinold and Marie Marvin were the parents of nine children, descent being traced to Dwight Marvin, of Troy, through their seventh son, Reinold (2), styled in their records as lieutenant, and his wife, Sarah Clark; their eldest son, John, and his wife, Sarah Graham; their seventh child, Benjamin, and his wife, Deborah Mather; their eldest child, Benjamin (2), and his wife, Phoebe Rowland; their eldest son, Uriah, and his wife, Olive Ingraham; their tenth child, Rev. Uriah, and his wife, Jane Stevens; their son, Rev. Dwight Edwards, and his wife, Ida Norton Whitman; their son, Dwight, and his wife, Marian Hobbie; their children, Margaret I., William H., and Marian E.

Uriah Marvin, of the sixth generation, left his country home when a young man and with his brother, Richard, engaged in the mercantile business in Albany, New York, where he became a leading citizen. He married Olive Ingraham, and their son, Rev. Uriah, is of further mention.

Rev. Uriah Marvin, son of Uriah and Olive (Ingraham) Marvin, was a minister of the gospel, ordained April 18, 1849, by the Reformed Dutch Classis. He was pastor of churches at Greenwich, New York; Bleecker Street Church, New York City; and Nyack, New York; and spent his last days in Troy, New York. He married Jane Stevens, and their son Rev. Dwight Edwards, is of further mention.

Rev. Dwight Edwards Marvin, fourth child of Rev. Uriah and Jane (Stevens) Marvin, was born in Greenwich, Washington county, New York, February 22, 1851. He was graduated from Alexander Institute in 1866, from Auburn Theological Seminary in 1880, and then took post-graduate courses at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and in 1882 was regularly ordained a minister of the Congregational church. He filled pastorates at the First Church, East Albany, 1881-1884; Plymouth Church, Utica, New York, 1884-1888; First Church, Germantown, Pennsylvania, 1888-1900; Asbury Park, New Jersey, and Flatbush Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, New York, 1902-1910. He is the author of the "Christman," 1908; "Professor Slagg of London," 1908; "The Church and Her Prophets," 1909; "The Harksborough Committee," 1915; "Fireside Prayers," 1921; "Sunset Thoughts," 1921; "Curiosities in Proverbs," 1916; and "The Antiquity of Proverbs," 1923. He is a member of the Folk Lore Society of England, and is the possessor of a notable library of books pertaining to folk lore. Franklin College, New Athens, Ohio, conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy upon him in 1900. Rev. Marvin is a Republican in politics, and a member of the City Club, of New York City. His home is at No. 55 Fernwood road, Summit, New Jersey.

Rev. Marvin married, September 17, 1874, Ida Norton Whitman, daughter of William W. and Caroline K. (Perkins) Whitman, of Troy. Dr. and Mrs. Marvin are the parents of four children: Charles Ingalls; Caroline Whitman; Dwight, of further mention; and Rowland Whitman.

Dwight Marvin, of the ninth generation, second son and third child of Rev. Dwight Edwards and Ida Norton (Whitman) Marvin, was born in Auburn, New York, February 7, 1880. After preparatory training he entered Princeton University, where he was a student, 1896-1898, passing thence to Williams College, where he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1901; and the degree of Master of Arts in 1904. He studied at Albany Law School after his graduation in 1901, and in 1903 received his degree of Bachelor of Laws from that institution. He practiced law at Troy, New York, 1903-1906, then retired and has ever since been connected with journalism in the city of Troy. During 1906-07 he was on the staff of the Troy "Times"as reporter and assistant city editor, since which he has been a member of the editorial staff, being exchange editor 1907-08; assistant editor, 1908-11; associate editor, 1911-15; and since 1910, editor of the Troy Morning and Evening "Record," being also a director of the Troy Record Publishing Company.

Mr. Marvin is chairman of the board of managers of Pawling Sanatorium; member of the National River and Harbors Congress, also a director; member of the National Municipal League; New York Child Labor Commission; State Charities Aid Society; member of New York State Association, and chairman of its board of directors; member of William Floyd Chapter, Sons of the Revolution; Phi Delta Theta, and the Phi Delta Phi fraternities; the Troy Chamber of Commerce; the Rotary Club; also president 1922-1923; vice-president of Rensselaer County Tuberculosis Association; director of the Chromatic Club of Troy; member of the Williams Alumni Association of Northern New York; a member of the Princeton Alumni Association, Hudson Valley; formerly trustee of the Second Street Presbyterian Church, Troy; and a member of the council of the Boy Scouts of America. He is also a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, which he serves as an elder, and in politics is a Republican.

Dwight Marvin married, March 4, 1909, Marian Hobbie, of Greenwich, New York, daughter of the Hon. William R. and Phebe (Walsh) Hobbie, the father former Assemblyman from Washington county for many years, and a prominent paper manufacturer. Both parents are living. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin are the parents of three children: Margaret Ingalls; William Hobbie; and Marian Elizabeth. The family home is at No. 197 Pawling avenue, Troy, New York.

DAVID BANKS PLUM—In the business world of Rensselaer county, New York, the name of David B. Plum is one of wide prominence, and his connection with various of the foremost industrial and publishing enterprises places him in the front rank of progress in his native city of Troy. Alert to the movement of the times, his work constructive to a marked degree, whatever the enterprise with which he is allied, Mr. Plum's activities are contributing materially to the general advance.

The name of Plum is a very old one in New Jersey, Mr. Plum's early ancestors having been among the original settlers of the city of Newark. The family is of Norman-French origin, and is traced to Robertus Plumme, whose name, in conjunction with that of Robert Plome, appears in the Great Roll of Normandy as far back as 1180. The name James Plume is found in ancient records of Hertfordshire, England, in 1240. A great-great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch was a soldier in the War of the American Revolution. David B. Plum, Mr. Plum's grandfather, was born in Newark, New Jersey, and came to the city of Troy, New York, as a young man. For many years he was associated with his brother, Elias, in the leather business in Troy, under the firm name of E. & D. B. Plum. David B. Plum was a man of progressive spirit and large business ability and did much for the local advance of his day and generation, his death occurring July 15, 1851. He married Leonora Whittaker, whose ancestors settled in the State of Massachusetts about 1700. She died in 1843. Their son, Fred A., is of further mention. The Whittaker family dates back to early English times, the name appearing on the Hundred Rolls as early as 1273, its significance

being, according to one authority, "the northeast part of a flat or shoal—the middle ground." Leonora (Whittaker) Plum was for many years the leading soprano in the choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy.

Fred A. Plum, son of David B. and Leonora (Whittaker) Plum, was born in Troy, New York, July 17, 1842, and died July 20, 1909. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and after his completion of the usual course at the Troy Academy, he entered the old Essex Academy, at Essex, Connecticut, from which he was graduated in the class of 1859. He then entered the employ of his uncle, O. A. Arnold, then a leading coal merchant of Troy, in the capacity of bookkeeper. Mr. Plum later engaged in the retail rubber business in Troy. It is understood that he is the only man who ever issued money made of India rubber. During the Civil War he issued 65,000 one cent pieces, and not one was ever offered for redemption, the presumption being that they were retained by the holders as historic relics or souvenirs. Fred A. Plum later accepted a position with the New Jersey Car Spring & Rubber Company, of Jersey City, and for nearly thirty years he was in charge of this company's sales in the States of New York and Pennsylvania. He was very prominent fraternally, was a past master of Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and the Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Inheriting his mother's fine voice, he sang for thirteen years in the choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy. He married Mary S. Fowler, a member of an old family of Albany, New York, daughter of Samuel S. and Julia (Gregory) Fowler, of Albany, the marriage taking place May 10, 1864, and they were the parents of two children: Leonora B.; and David Banks, of further mention.

David Banks Plum, son of Fred A. and Mary S. (Fowler) Plum, was born in the city of Troy, New York, October 7, 1869. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and after completing the course he became identified in 1889, with the mercantile firm of Starkweather & Allen, where he served as a clerk for eight years. In the year 1897 Mr. Plum became associated with the Troy "Record," in the capacity of collector, and from this position was advanced from time to time, until he has now filled all positions in the business department. He has been a director of the company since the year 1901, and has served as general manager and treasurer since 1915. A practical man of broad ability and keen foresight, also with a keen appreciation of the educational value of the daily newspaper, Mr. Plum has been the leading factor in the development of the "Record" to its present importance in the newspaper world. He is a director and chairman of the Finance Committee of the Bureau of Advertising of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, and is a director of the Audit Bureau of Circulations. Among the local industrial activities, Mr. Plum is affiliated as a director with the J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company, Incorporated, and is president, treasurer, and a director of the Averill Park Company, also a director of the Troy Trust Company.

The public life of the community has always commanded the interest and aid of Mr. Plum, and as a loyal Republican he is well known in Rensselaer county, but he has never accepted the honors or responsibilities of public office. For ten years he served in the 6th Separate Company, Troy Citizens' Corps, and served as first sergeant of Company A, 2nd Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, in the Spanish-American War. Fraternally he is identified with Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; the Society of Colonial Wars; the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, and the Sons of the Revolution. His clubs are the Troy, the Van Schaick Island Country, and the North Woods, and he is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, of which he is a trustee.

Mr. Plum married, on March 30, 1898, in Troy, New York, Harriet L. Barnes, daughter of Albert J. and Hannah C. (Bigelow) Barnes.

ANDREW PORTER McKEAN—The place which Andrew Porter McKean occupies in the financial and civic life of Troy, New York, is not only a prominent one, but it is one in which he renders valuable service. Trained in the legal profession, he is also affiliated with business institutions both in Troy and in North Adams, Massachusetts, and plays an important role in educational matters.

The McKean family is an old and honorable one, which traces its ancestry to William McKean, of Argyleshire, Scotland. After having been haled before a military tribunal and questioned as to his loyalty, William McKean, who was a covenanter and had escaped conviction only by his ready Scotch wit, fled to Ireland, where, with many other covenanters, he assisted in the founding of a Scotch colony in the County of Ulster. One of William's sons, James McKean, took part in the siege of Londonderry, Ireland, and this James McKean of Londonderry had three sons: James, Jr., William, and John. The McKean family had emigrated to Ireland with the understanding that there they might enjoy their religion free from the taxes and tithes of the Church of England. Finding that this was not the case, they sent delegates to this country to inquire into the state of religious freedom here. Reports were favorable and the three sons of James, James, Jr., William and John, prepared to lead a large group of their associates to the New World.

James McKean, Jr., landed in Boston in 1718, and after residing for a time in a town called Nutville, in New Hampshire, removed to Londonderry, New Hampshire, of which he was one of the first settlers and where he became one of the most prominent and influential citizens. He became the ancestor of a large branch of the McKeans of New Hampshire. William settled in New London, Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1727, in which locality many Scotch-Irish from the North of Ireland were living. James and John were partners in business in Ballymoney, Ireland, and the latter intended to accompany his brother James to this country. John died before preparations were completed, but his widow, Janet, came, bringing with her four children, John, Robert, Samuel and

Mary. Of these sons of John, John, the oldest settled in Nova Scotia, and Samuel, the youngest, settled in New Hampshire. Robert, the second son, went to Chester county, Pennsylvania, where his Uncle William had settled, and circumstantial evidence is nearly conclusive that he later removed to Cecil county, Pennsylvania, and became the father of the James McKean, of Cecil county, from whom Andrew Porter McKean traces descent. Robert McKean fought in the French and Indian War, and was probably with Washington in 1754 or with Braddock in 1753. He was taken prisoner and put to death by the Indians.

James McKean, son (almost certainly) of Robert McKean, son of John, son of James, son of William of Argyleshire, Scotland, was born in Cecil county, Maryland, in 1745, and died in Burlington, Pennsylvania, January 4, 1797. About 1774 or 1775 he removed from his native place to Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, and in 1789 he again changed his place of residence, removing to Chemung county, New York, not far from Elmira. His title to the land on which he settled proved to be fraudulent, and about five years later he settled in Burlington, Bradford county, Pennsylvania, where he became the owner of a large section of land on Sugar Creek. There he resided during the remainder of his life. He married Jane Scott, who came to this country from Glencoe, Scotland, when quite young and settled with her parents in Cecil county. James and Jane (Scott) McKean were the parents of ten children: Allen; William; James; Rebecca; Andrew, of further mention; John; Robert; Samuel; Benjamin; and Jane. The first three were born in Cecil county, Maryland, the others in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, except Jane, the youngest, who was born in Chemung county, New York.

Rev. Andrew McKean, fourth son of James and Jane (Scott) McKean, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, July 28, 1777, and died in Mechanicsville, New York, December 19, 1863. He removed with his parents to Burlington, Pennsylvania, when about twelve years of age, and in 1802 was ordained a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, uniting with the Philadelphia Conference, but later by a change of boundary lines, became a member of the New York Conference, and in 1832, of the Troy Conference. His first appointment was the Ulster circuit, bounded on the eastward by the Hudson river, and during this time he preached the first Methodist sermon that was ever preached in Kingston, New York. Later, he organized the first Methodist Society there, and in 1807 he organized the first Methodist Society in Schenectady, New York. On large circuits he traveled many thousands of miles, mostly on horseback, enduring much hardship and exposure until his health became impaired, and he settled on a farm in Half Moon, Saratoga county, New York, in 1828, removing to Mechanicsville, New York, in 1863, where he resided during the remainder of his life. He married, April 3, 1814, Catherine Bedell, of Saratoga, New York, whose ancestors were French Huguenots, of Hempstead, Long Island, New York, and she died August 14, 1878 Children of Rev. Andrew and Catherine (Bedell) McKean were: 1. Julia. 2. Elmer. 3. Ruth. 4. James Bedell, known as Hon. James Bedell

McKean, who became superintendent of public instruction in Half Moon, New York, when he was twenty-one years of age, was colonel of the 144th New York State Militia when he was twenty-three; was admitted to the bar in 1849; elected judge of Saratoga county in 1854, in which year he was one of the organizers of the Republican party; elected to Congress in 1860; organized the Seventy-seventh Regiment, also known as Bemis Heights Battalion, which, as colonel, he led to the front, and was with McClellan until ill health compelled him to resign July 23, 1863; sent as special envoy to Honduras in 1865; chief justice of the territory of Utah in 1870, which position he held to the time of his death, which occurred at Salt Lake City, Utah, January 5, 1879. 5. Samuel, of further mention.

Rev. Samuel McKean, second son of Rev. Andrew and Catherine (Bedell) McKean, was born in Saratoga, New York, May 19, 1826. He received his education in the public schools of Half Moon, New York, in Jonesville Academy, and in the Methodist General Biblical Institute, since merged into the Boston University, of Concord, New Hampshire, from which he was graduated in 1851. In the spring of 1852 he became a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, of the Troy Conference; his first pastorates were at Vegennes, Vermont; Greenbush, Amsterdam, Schenectady, Saratoga Springs, Amsterdam (second term), New York, Lansingburg, West Troy, all in the State of New York except the first. In 1867 he was elected grand worthy patriarch of the Sons of Temperance for Eastern New York, and in 1869 he was chosen corresponding secretary of the New York State Temperance Society and urged to give his entire attention to the work of this organization. Accepting the advice of Bishops James and Simpson, he relinquished his pastorate and for three years devoted his time to the temperance cause, covering the eastern part of the State and editing the official organ of the society, "The Watchword." In 1872 he resumed his ministerial labors, becoming pastor of the Ashgrove Church at Albany. In 1874 he became pastor at Fort Edward, New York; 1877, presiding elder of Cambridge District; 1881, pastor of North Adams, Massachusetts; 1884, presiding elder of Troy District, his residence at Lansingburg, New York, where he continued to reside to the time of his death, April, 1910. Meantime, in 1879, he had received from Union College of Schenectady, New York, the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity; had been elected by his conference a delegate to the general conference of his church at Cincinnati, Ohio; and in 1884 had been chosen by the bishops to represent the church in the Centennial Conference held in Baltimore, Maryland, in December of that year. At the close of his term of service in the Troy District, in 1888, Mr. McKean asked to be released from regular ministerial duties in order that he might recruit his health and find time for special work. In March, 1893, he was elected president of the Rensselaer County Bible Society, and from the time of his release in 1888 to the time of his death in 1910 he was also constantly called upon to preach in various pulpits and for addresses on a variety of subjects. Dr. McKean was a man who made many friends and was greatly beloved by the people of his various pastorates. He was a man of sterling character and of unusual ability,

eloquent and impassioned as a speaker but logical and convincing in the pulpit. He married (first) February 5, 1852, Sarah M. Prescott, daughter of Jeremiah Prescott, of Bristol, New Hampshire. She died in West Troy, New York, August 23, 1867, and he married (second) December 1, 1868, Katherine Porter, daughter of Nathan Porter, of West Troy, New York. Children of the first marriage were: Carrie and Willard Prescott. Children of the second marriage were: Andrew Porter, of further mention; and Samuel Howard.

Andrew Porter McKean, son of Rev. Samuel and Katherine (Porter) McKean, was born at Amsterdam, New York, December 29, 1870, After receiving a careful and preparatory education in Fort Edward Select School, North Adams Academy, and in Lansingburg Academy, he became a student in Williams College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1892. He then began preparation for the legal profession, and in March, 1897, was admitted to the New York State Bar. Since that time he has been continuously and successfully engaged in legal practice and he has also been actively connected with various business institutions, both in Troy and North Adams, Massachusetts. He is vice-president and a member of the board of directors of the Arnold Print Works, finishers of textiles, in North Adams, Massachusetts; and he is also vice-president and a member of the board of directors of the People's Bank, director of the Union National Bank, and a trustee of the Troy Savings Bank, all of Troy. In addition to his professional activities and his various business responsibilities Mr. McKean has also found time for local public service. He has served as president of the city Common Council for two terms, and was a delegate to the last Constitutional Convention of the State of New York, held in Albany, New York, in 1915. He has rendered valuable service as a member of the board of directors of the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society, and is an active member of the Lansingburg School Board of Education. He is a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity of Williams College; of the Troy Club; the Van Schaick Island Country Club; Mohawk Golf Club; Williams Club, of New York; and the Nantucket Golf Club. He is also, in addition to the organizations and institutions already mentioned, a member of the board of trustees of the Troy Orphan Asylum; Marshall Infirmary; Emma Willard School; and Russell Sage College. Politically he gives his support to candidates and principles of the Republican party, and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Andrew Porter McKean married, on March 22, 1899, at New York City, Susan Houghton, who is a daughter of Albert C. and Cordelia S. Houghton. Mr. and Mrs. McKean are the parents of two children: Cordelia Houghton, who was born March 15, 1900, and married Hobart W. Thompson, Jr., of Albany, New York, and has one daughter, Mary Cordelia, who was born February 26, 1920; Florence Porter, who was born January 5, 1903, and who married Ralph L. Tompkins.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN CHENEY—Throughout the entire period of his active career Arthur Chapman Cheney, president of the A. C. Cheney Piano Action Company, of Castleton, New York, has been identi-

fied with piano action manufacturing business, and there are none in the country who are more thoroughly familiar with that specialized branch of the piano manufacturing industry than is he.

The Cheney family, whose name is derived from *Chêne* an oak tree, has long been a noted one in England. There were families of the name in Devonshire prior to the beginning of the thirteenth century, and Devonshire historians state that the manor given to Ralph de Pomeroy by William the Conqueror passed to the proprietorship of the Church of Rouen, "from which it passed to Sir Nicholas Cheney in the reign of Henry III" (1207-1272). In old London records and also in Essex (from which section came a large number of the group which settled in Roxbury, Massachusetts), one Robert Cheney, yeoman, of Essex, had sons, John, Raufe, William, and Robert, and there were several who bore the name John Chayne, in Hertfordshire. Burke states that the original coat-of-arms was:

Arms—Ermine, on a bend sable three martlets or.
Crest—A bull's scalp argent.
Motto—Le mieux que je puis. (The best that I can).

The geneaologist who compiled the Cheney geneaology (Charles Henry Pope) states that no link has been found which connects William of Roxbury or John of Newbury with any English family, and that it is not known whether or not the two were related to each other.

(I) John Cheney, immigrant ancestor of the branch of the family to which Arthur Chapman Cheney belongs, came to this country in 1635, bringing with him his wife, Martha, and four children. A fifth child was born in February, 1636, and during the following year he removed to Newbury. These facts are found in Rev. John Eliot's records of the Church in Roxbury, but where he lived in Roxbury is not known. He received large allotments of land in Newbury, served on the Board of Selectmen, and was one of the energetic and highly esteemed citizens of the town. He died July 28, 1666. He and his wife Martha were the parents of ten children: Mary; Martha; John; Daniel; Sarah; Peter, of further mention; Lydia; Hannah; Nathaniel; and Elizabeth.

(II) Peter Cheney, son of John and Martha Cheney, was born in Newbury about 1639, and died in January, 1695. He married, May 14, 1663, Hannah Noyes, daughter of Deacon Nicholas and Mary (Cutting) Noyes, and their children were: Peter; John, of further mention; Nicholas; Huldah; Mary; Martha; Nathaniel, died young; Jemima; Nathaniel; Eldad; Hannah; Ichabod; and Lydia.

(III) John Cheney, son of Peter and Hannah (Noyes) Cheney, was born in Newbury, Massachusetts, May 10, 1666, and died September 2, 1750. He was a carpenter, also a miller and cloth finisher, and lived for a time in Sudbury, but later returned to his native town. He married, March 7, 1693, Mary Chute, daughter of James[3], (James[1], Lionel[2]) and Mary (Wood) Chute, and they were the parents of six children: Edmund, of further mention; Martha; Mary; Sarah; John; and Judith.

(IV) Edmund Cheney, son of John and Mary (Chute) Cheney, was born in Newbury, Massachusetts, June 29, 1696, and died March 14, 1761.

He married (first) November 18, 1714, Mary Plumer, of Rowley, Massachusetts; (second) Ann Poor. Children: Moses, of further mention; Nathaniel; Edmund; Peter; Mary; Martha; John, died young; John; and Sarah.

(V) Moses Cheney, son of Edmund and Mary (Plumer) Cheney, was born in Newbury, November 26, 1715, and died February 21, 1759. He married, October 23, 1740, Sarah Whiton, of Rowley, and their children were: Elias, of further mention; Moses; Sarah; Jonathan; Sarah; Mary; Edmund; and Rachel.

(VI) Elias Cheney, son of Moses and Sarah (Whiton) Cheney, was born in Newbury, February 20, 1742, and died in March, 1832. He enlisted March 7, 1781, in Captain Chamberlain's company, Colonel Davis' regiment, and marched for Rhode Island; time of service eleven days. He resided (first) in Byfield (Rowley), and about 1785 removed to Campton, New Hampshire; owned land also in Londonderry and Chester, New Hampshire; later removed to Thornton, New Hampshire. He married (first) September 7, 1762, at Rowley, Jane Plumer; (second) March 9, 1768, at Newbury, Ruth Jackman, of Byfield. She died, February 19, 1774, and he married (third) June 8, 1774, Hannah Pike, also of Byfield. Children: Mary; Jane; Ebenezer; Eliza; Paul Jackman; Ruth; Hannah; Sarah; Samuel, of further mention; and Lydia.

(VII) Samuel Cheney, son of Elias and Hannah (Pike) Cheney, was born in Thornton, New Hampshire, March 12, 1778, and died September 20, 1829. He was a farmer, and resided in Thornton until 1814, when he removed to Derby Line, Vermont. He married Mary Treadwell, daughter of Captain Treadwell, of Ipswich, and their children were: Alfred, of further mention; Elias; Samuel, no issue; Joseph Pike; Mary, married Horace Emery; Sally; and Charles, died unmarried.

(VIII) Alfred Cheney, son of Samuel and Mary (Treadwell) Cheney, was born in Thornton, New Hampshire, December 29, 1804, and died September 15, 1878. He spent his boyhood in Thornton and in Derby Line, Vermont, and in 1825 removed to Boston, Massachusetts, where he resided during the remainder of his life. He married, in April, 1827, Harriet Crawford, daughter of Josiah and Lydia (Vowdy) Crawford, who was born in Orrington, Maine, August 24, 1805, and died in Boston, February 23, 1869, and their children were: George Arthur; Margaret; Mary Elizabeth; Jane Eaton; Helen L.; Alfred; Samuel, of further mention; Ellen H., married Hobart Cleveland, of Orange, New Jersey; Frederick Maurice, who served in the Civil War; Frank; and Henry W., who married Imogene Simond.

(IX) Samuel Cheney, son of Alfred and Harriet (Crawford) Cheney, was born in Boston, July 18, 1842. He received a practical education in the public schools of his native district, and upon the outbreak of the Civil War, enlisted in the 44th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. Upon the close of the war he returned to civilian life and learned the piano action manufacturing business. Later he became a manufacturer of piano keys and action, and of ivory goods. For forty years he was connected with the Comstock, Cheney Company, at Ivoryton, Town of Essex, Connecticut,

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of which his brother, George Arthur Cheney, was president. He married Sarah Louise Chapman, a descendant of John Alden, and of Revolutionary stock, and they are the parents of two children: Arthur C., of further mention; and Harry C., a physician in Palmer, Massachusetts, who was born in Ivoryton, Town of Essex, Connecticut, May 20, 1877.

(X) Arthur Chapman Cheney, son of Samuel and Sarah Louise (Chapman) Cheney, was born in Essex, Connecticut, September 6, 1868. After attending the public schools of his native district he completed his preparation for an active life by taking a course in the Vermont Academy, at Saxton River, Vermont, where he completed his studies in 1888. Meantime, however, when he was thirteen years of age, he had begun to learn the art of piano action manufacture with Comstock, Cheney & Company, of Ivoryton, Connecticut. He remained there until 1902, in which year he removed to Castleton, New York, and purchased an interest in the Gorgen Piano Action Company. He was made secretary and treasurer of the concern, and the following year the name was changed to A. C. Cheney Piano Action Company. The concern is a well known one and does an extensive business. They manufacture grand, upright, and pneumatic piano actions, and send their product to all parts of the country. At the present time the personnel of the firm is as follows: H. H. G. Ingalls, president; Seth Wheeler, vice-president; and A. C. Cheney, secretary and treasurer, and the directors are the officers and Frank B. Smith, Carlos D. Morgan, general superintendent. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with the A. C. Cheney Piano Action Company, Mr. Cheney is president of the Castleton Public Library; vice-president of the Castleton Building and Loan Association; also of the Castleton Auto Club; the Albany Auto Club; and of the National Exchange Bank, of Castleton, New York. He has always taken an active interest in the public welfare of the various communities in which he has resided, and during the World War he served as chairman of the committee which managed the work of the Red Cross drive in Castleton, and was also active in the Liberty Loan drives. He is well known and highly esteemed both in Castleton and in Essex, Connecticut. His religious affiliation is with the Emmanuel Reformed Church of Castleton-on-Hudson, which he formerly served as a member of the board of elders. Mr. Cheney owns a farm of three hundred acres, on which he has a beautiful residence. He owns seventy Guernsey cows, twenty horses, and 2,500 poultry.

On June 7, 1905, Arthur Chapman Cheney married Anna Weir, of New York City, daughter of James Boyd and Frances Elizabeth (Wood) Weir.

JAMES ADAM BEATTIE—A prominent figure in the business world of Troy, New York, active in an unofficial way in many branches of civic endeavor, well known in fraternal circles, and a leader of religious advance, James Adam Beattie is thoroughly representative of the best type of American citizenship. His success has given him wide influence, and in every phase of life in which he takes a part he wields a mighty

influence for progress, prosperity and happiness. Mr. Beattie is a son of Adam and Isabella (Mather) Beattie, formerly esteemed residents of Ontario, Canada, the father a carpenter by occupation. Both are now deceased.

James Adam Beattie was born in the city of Galt, Province of Ontario, Canada, November 3, 1862. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, and learned the cabinet and upholstering trade. He came to the States in 1884 and obtained employment with William H. Tolhurst & Son, now the Tolhurst Machine Company, as a wood pattern-maker, and while employed there he attended the evening courses of the Troy Business College. With early business experience of a general nature, Mr. Beattie soon became identified with the field of the steam laundry, and in this connection he has won large success. He has now for many years been at the head of Beattie's Troy Laundry as owner and manager. With a plant at No. 607 Broadway, this laundry is popularly known as "The Home of Soft Water," and the modern equipment and stringent rules regarding quality of work, sanitation, etc., place this laundry in the highest rank in the country. Mr. Beattie is a member of the New York Laundrymen's Association, of which he was formerly president, and has long been a member of the Laundrymen's National Association, formerly serving on the executive committee. He has many other financial interests besides that in his laundry, among which affiliations may be included a directorship in the Troy Trust Company. The story of his rise from a position of comparative obscurity to one of dominance in the commercial and financial life of Troy possesses sufficient elements of interest to justify a more detailed account of that career, which, up to this point, has been so briefly sketched.

James Adam Beattie came to Troy, the birthplace of the laundry business, from Canada, when a youth, to live with his uncle. For some years he worked in a furniture house as an upholsterer; in a machine-shop as a pattern-maker; and for a short time as a salesman on the road. His advent into the laundry world was sudden and unexpected. One Saturday evening, after his day's work in the machine shop, he stopped at the laundry, which was operated by John C. Walker and J. E. Jacobs, to take out his laundered collars. Mr. Walker, attracted by the fine sincerity and nobility of young Beattie's face and manner, entered into a conversation with him concerning the laundry business, and the following Monday morning, convinced of the desirability of Mr. Beattie's association in any business enterprise, he called upon the young man and requested him to consider purchasing Mr. Jacobs' share in the business. It was then that Mr. Beattie manifested the possession of those qualities which have been so potent a factor, not only in his success, but in leadership.

This turning point in Mr. Beattie's career has been fixed in his own words. On one occasion, in relating the incident of his entrance in an independent capacity in business, he stated: "Of course, I was somewhat reluctant to give up a job with the assurance of a weekly income and to shoulder the uncertainty of a business. But the idea of getting into

business for myself appealed to me. I knew nothing at all about laundries. However, I talked the matter over with my wife that day when I went home to lunch and by night we had made up our minds to take the plunge."

Unlike other men, Mr. Beattie was prepared for the opportunity when it came, and having decided to set sail in another craft, that of independent proprietorship, he was not at a loss for the proper means.

We had taken out some shares in a building and loan association and in this way we had saved seven hundred dollars. Incidentally, I have followed the practice of being in such a savings institution throughout my life. You are compelled to save in such a way, and I think it is one of the best things for any family.

Well, I took the money we had saved, borrowed a little more, and on August 12, 1892, I became a partner of Mr. Walker's, as ignorant of the laundry business as any one could possibly be. But I resolved to learn the business from top to bottom as quickly as hard work would allow.

Within a year Mr. Walker quit the enterprise and Mr. Beattie, because of his lack of sufficiently intimate knowledge of the business, was compelled to seek a partner in an employee, a sorter, who, unable to withstand the effects of a prosperous year—each partner had drawn $2,500 from the business in 1894, a very comfortable income then—neglected his end of the business, causing a rupture and leaving Mr. Beattie sole master of the enterprise, although upon his shoulders devolved a greater burden of physical labor than he could well carry.

A National convention of laundry-owners, held at Niagara Falls in 1907, marks a second epoch in the business career of Mr. Beattie. He said, in relating this event: "I returned home with a new determination to build a bigger business. I started the ball rolling while my inspiration was hot. The plant I was in, and which I rented, would not allow of any more expansion. I began to search around for another location. It so happened that I was able to buy the building across the street."

Here, again, Mr. Beattie proved he was not afraid to take a chance. When he first entered the business he found it necessary to borrow only a small sum. Now he had been in business for years, had saved considerable, and was assured of a fair income. If he was to buy the building he wanted, remodel it and purchase new equipment, it meant spending what he had saved and borrowing liberally as well. The new investment involved the expenditure of $20,000, of which he borrowed $10,000. So carefully did he supervise the transfer of his plant that not one day's operation was lost. Fitting the new plant out was a gradual operation, but the change was so capably engineered that he quit the old plant on a Saturday afternoon and started in the new one that next Monday morning. His operation on a larger scale has reaped fruits of success and he has been more than repaid for his business judgment, acumen and adventure. To-day, his plant is one of the most efficiently operated and best-paying investments in the large metropolis of Troy. As a result, he has achieved prominence in other fields, and, in turn, his leadership in other activities has much to do with the prëeminent success of his business. He had, of course, to attain a high measure of success in his own enterprise before he was acknowledged a leader in business interests.

Now his name is so often in the daily press of Troy that his name is well known throughout the community, and this serves as a splendid medium of indirect advertising for his laundry.

Mr. Beattie's membership in fraternal organizations, his interest in church life, and his participation in civic endeavors has gained him the acquaintance of hundreds of persons he never would have met otherwise. But one must not therefore conclude that his connection with all these other activities was arranged deliberately with the thought that the associations and publicity to be derived would work to the advantage of his business. He is identified with these activities because he believes so strongly in service and because he wants to be of service to his fellowmen as well as to his customers. "I have always had the conviction," he has stated, "that you get no more of anything than what you put in. I have never joined an organization or became identified with a welfare movement with the object of personal gain."

Mr. Beattie was elected president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce at a most vital time in the history of his adopted city. The Chamber had been re-organized a short time previously. Important matters were shaping themselves in the life of the community and a man of wide capabilities and able leadership was needed at the helm. A membership of 1,300 selected him as the man for the place and throughout his administration he probably gave more of his time to the improvement of the city than any other resident. A report of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, issued for the year during which Mr. Beattie was president, indicates the scope of Mr. Beattie's contribution to the welfare of the city of Troy: The Retail Merchants' Association, a division of the Chamber, opened an auto bus terminal at the Mansion House building; the Chamber took over the United States Employment Service office, when government funds with which to carry on this work were not available; the traffic bureau of the Chamber established auto truck lines connecting Troy, New York, with North Adams, Massachusetts, and Petersburgh, Berlin, Grafton, Albany, Mechanicsville, Amsterdam, Saratoga, Utica and New York; entered heartily into community planning in relation to Frear Park and the Sycaway districts; helped broadcast the advantages of Troy from the industrial, financial and residential viewpoints; began planning an aviation field; posted signs on all roads leading into Troy and entered even into more numerous enterprises looking to the growth and development of the city of Troy. Mr. Beattie is also an enthusiastic Rotarian, because in Rotary he finds an organization with service as its dominant aim. Early in the history of the Troy Rotary Club he was elected its president, at a time when the organization required a man of his ideals and energy to embark it safely and permanently into the life of the community. He is always ready to help the other fellow, and his greatest avenue of opportunity in this line lies in the fact that he was chosen chairman of the advisory board of the Troy division of the Salvation Army.

These facts include an explanation of why Mr. Beattie has been so successful as an executive—so successful a handler of men. He reports

that he has never had any trouble with his large force, and the following statement by him should serve as a guide to all employers: "I never turn down an employee abruptly who asks for an increase in wages. I tell him that I'll think it over for a day or two and let him know. In case I feel I can't grant the request for one or several reasons I have a quiet talk with him and tell him why. At any rate he knows I have given the matter thought and, knowing why, the chances are he will try to improve his work. We have never had any labor trouble in our plant. Union organizers frequently have asked me if they might talk with my workers and I have always acceded willingly. I always ask them to come during the noon hour, and always assure them I will not be in their way. I grant them the widest freedom, but so far my employees have been content to work without affiliation with any union."

Fraternally, Mr. Beattie is a member and past master of King Solomon's Primitive Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, and all the Scottish and York Rite bodies of the Masonic order. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is identified with the Commercial Travelers' Association, the National Travel Club, the Troy Club, and the Troy Automobile Club. A Republican by political affiliation, he is an active member of the Rensselaer County Republican Club, and a worker for the interests of the party, although he has never sought nor accepted public office. He has always participated in a constructive way in all movements for civic and social betterment, and for fifteen years served as a member of Company A, Second Regiment, National Guard of the State of New York, and received his honorable discharge with the rank of first sergeant. Mr. Beattie has for many years allied himself with religious advance, and is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Troy. He is chairman of the board of deacons of the church, and was formerly president of the Young People's Society. Indeed, it would be difficult to find a civic interest in Troy in which Mr. Beattie has not entered and for the success of which he has not contributed.

Mr. Beattie married, in Troy, New York, on May 29, 1892, Helen T. Beattie, a member of another family of the same name, daughter of Joseph and Anna (Forrest) Beattie. They have one adopted daughter, Margaret J., born August 6, 1906, now attending the Emma Willard School. The family residence is at No. 1807 Seventh avenue, Troy, New York.

JUDGE FRANKLIN JAY PARMENTER—A life of profound significance to the people of Troy and Rensselaer county, New York, was that of Judge Franklin Jay Parmenter, who, during the latter half of the nineteenth century, was a force for progress in the profession of the law, and gave his talents and energies to constructive endeavor along many branches of civic, patriotic and social activity. A writer of no mean ability, he left fugitive contributions of permanent literary value to the generations to follow, and but for the countless exactions of a useful and busy life, the world of letters would have been far more deeply enriched by his facile pen. He lived a full and beautiful life, giving much and re-

ceiving in return the sincere affection of those who knew him best, and the esteem and confidence of all.

The Parmenter family is of French origin, dating back in direct line to Jehan Parmentier, who was born in Dieppe, France, in 1494. Fearless and filled with the spirit of adventure, he became one of the most famous navigators of his day, and has come down in history as the first known discovered of the Island of Sumatra, which he reached in the year 1530. He was also an author of note, and his works were published in Paris, France, in 1531. The celebrated artist, Jacques Parmentier, was a direct descendant of the discoverer. Robert Parmenter, the founder of the American line, was also a direct descendant of Jehan Parmentier. Robert Parmenter was born in England in 1621, and crossed the Atlantic to the New World in 1648, settling in the little community of pioneers at Braintree, Massachusetts, with his wife, Leah. Joseph Parmenter, eldest son of these parents, was born October 20, 1655, and died at the advanced age of eighty-two years. Benjamin Parmenter, son of Joseph, was born September 6, 1682, and about 1716 migrated to Newport, Rhode Island. Prior to that date a number of years, he married Hannah Bigelow, of Weston, Massachusetts. Their eldest son, Benjamin (2), was born December 16, 1712. John Newton Parmenter was the next in line, and his son, Azel Fiske Parmenter, who was born in 1786, was the father of the subject of this sketch. He came to New York State in 1810, and although a graduate physician, he never practiced his profession, but became a noted educator of his day, and many prominent men from different sections of New York State gained the impetus to a worthy life from his influence in the school room. He married, in 1820, Lavina Ray, daughter of Roswell Ray, of Northumberland, New York. To this gifted woman of lofty aspirations, whose spirit governed a frail body and whose ambition for her sons secured them their educational opportunities, these sons attributed a large share of their success. The father died in 1858, the mother in 1848.

Franklin Jay Parmenter, son of Azel F. and Lavina (Ray) Parmenter, was born in Pittstown, New York, August 28, 1829. His early education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and he later spent two years at the Hoosick Falls Academy, teaching school to finance his education. In 1848 he entered the Troy Conference Academy, at Poultney, Vermont, where he completed his classical education. Inspired by his mother to choose a professional career, his further progress partook of the nature of a memorial. In 1849 he came to Troy to take up the study of law, which he carried forward as he had opportunity, teaching in Brunswick for a time, then, in the spring of 1850, opening a select school in the city of Troy. Giving up his teaching with the close of the following year, he devoted his attention to the preparation for his chosen profession with the result that he was admitted to the bar May 4, 1852. Taking up his practice in the city of Troy, Mr. Parmenter soon gained a foothold in his chosen field of endeavor, and his influence for civic and moral advance was one of the formative forces of that period in Rensselaer county. He contributed much to the city, the State and the nation.

In 1860 he was appointed police judge of the city of Troy, in which capacity he was active until the year 1864, inclusive. When the 169th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, "Troy's Own," was recruited, he gave largely towards the defraying of the expenses connected with its preparations for entering the struggle, and his eloquent oratory did much for the work of promoting and maintaining enthusiasm in the cause of Liberty and Union. It was toward the close of this decade of Judge Parmenter's usefulness, in the war period and the years of reconstruction immediately succeeding, that Union College conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts. Possessing a brilliant mind, it was not only in oratory that Judge Parmenter was distinguished. His facile pen gave the world gems of prose and verse, not the least noteworthy being his "Welcome to Dickens," published in "Harper's Magazine" at the time of the visit of the famous novelist to this country. This poem was copied widely in the press of Great Britain, and received flattering comment everywhere. His poem on "Troy's Centennial" was also cordially received, and on June 16, 1886, he was elected poet of the Troy Conference Academy. The later years of Judge Parmenter's life were devoted to his profession and to the many benevolences which were his delight, and he was active nearly up to the time of his death, which occurred March 27, 1912. The passing of this man of men brought a sense of loss to the people of Troy which will not be effaced in a single generation. It is peculiarly fitting that in a work of this nature his memory should find permanent honor, for in the hearts of the people his name is still cherished.

Judge Parmenter married, in 1872, Lorenda Silliman, daughter of the late Captain Robert D. Silliman, who is also now deceased. Their son, the Hon. Frank Silliman Parmenter, is to-day one of the foremost citizens of Troy, and a review of his life follows.

HON. FRANK SILLIMAN PARMENTER, A. B. LL. B.—A leading figure in professional circles in Rensselaer county, New York, is Judge Parmenter, who has for a quarter of a century practiced law in the city of Troy, and is now serving his third term of office as judge of the City Court of Troy. With excellent training in some of the foremost institutions of the East, and years of experience as attorney and counselor-at-law, Judge Parmenter was especially fitted for the responsibilities of his present position, and his candidacy for this judgeship met the most cordial public approval. His record has borne out the confidence reposed in him, and he has won the highest esteem of his contemporaries.

Frank Silliman Parmenter was born in Troy, New York, April 12, 1874, and is a son of Franklin J. and Lorenda (Silliman) Parmenter, both now deceased (see preceding sketch). He first attended the private schools of the city, then Troy Academy, from which he was graduated in 1891. Then entering Williams College, at Williamstown, Massachusetts, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1895, and at this time he received his Bachelor's degree in the arts. Having early made his choice of a profession, the young man then entered Harvard Univer-

sity Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1898, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of New York State, Mr. Parmenter took up the practice of his chosen profession within the year, and from the beginning was very successful. He developed a very extensive practice, and in November, 1913, he was elected judge of the City Court, taking up the duties of this office the first day of the following January. His record on the bench was such that he has twice been reëlected and still fills this position of honor and responsibility. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and the Delta Upsilon fraternity. Judge Parmenter has very few interests outside of his work, to which he has devoted his entire energy, but he was one of the founders of the Elmwood Hill Cemetery, and was the first and has been the only secretary and treasurer of the cemetery association.

Judge Parmenter married, in 1913, Augusta E. Huested, of Dutchess county, New York, and they have two daughters: Helen Huested and Edith Augusta.

HENRY GILBERT LUDLOW—From his English Ludlow ancestry and from his Scotch Douglas forebears, Henry Gilbert Ludlow inherited that inventive genius, commercial ability, keen business sense and shrewdness that distinguished him and made the inventor of the Ludlow valve one of Troy's most noted mechanical geniuses, and one of the city's most successful manufacturers. The Ludlow valve was a valuable contribution to mechanical inventions, a straight-way stop valve, with sliding gate and separate wedge, useful in regulating the flow of gas, water, steam or oil. This invention made Mr. Ludlow famous in the world of invention, and later, as executive head of the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company, which he incorporated to manufacture the Ludlow valve, he became widely known as a business man of great ability. He was a man of high character, honorable and upright in all the affairs of life, quiet and lovable in disposition, always doing good unto others as he had opportunity, his life one of usefulness and blessing. He was long identified with the best interests of Troy and Rensselaer county, his love for his native country increasing with his ability to be of service to her institutions and people.

Henry G. Ludlow descended paternally from ancient and honorable English, and maternally from that most famous of Scottish clans—Douglas—his maternal American ancestor being William Douglas, who came from Scotland in early New England days and located in New London, Connecticut. Henry Gilbert Ludlow was a son of Samuel B. Ludlow, a noted lawyer and jurist, who died April 12, 1882, being the oldest graduate of Union College, he having entered that college in 1809, at the age of fourteen. In 1812 he was admitted to the bar, and for a time practiced in Nassau, Rensselaer county, New York. He did not adhere closely to the law in those earlier years, but drifted into journalism and made such an impression that he became the editor of a religious paper published in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, called "The Philadelphian." In 1836 he located in Oswego, New York, where he was secretary of the

Northwestern Insurance Company. In 1841 he was made judge of the Oswego County Court of Common Pleas, holding until 1847. He was one of the organizers of the Oswego Gas Company, and had other business interests with which he was identified until his passing, April 12, 1882. Judge Ludlow married Nancy Douglas, and they were the parents of Henry Gilbert Ludlow, the principal character of this review.

Henry Gilbert Ludlow was born in Nassau, Rensselaer county, New York, March 28, 1823, and died December 26, 1904. He prepared in county schools, then entered Union College, also his father's *alma mater*, and there was graduated A. B., class of 1843. He was a natural mechanic, and immediately after graduation, sought a place in keeping with his natural tastes and talents. He became interested in the construction of gas plants, and soon after graduation he obtained a position with the gas works then supplying the city of Philadelphia. There he became expert in gas manufacturing from its mechanical side and embarked on a career of gas plant construction. During that period of his life Mr. Ludlow built gas plants at Hartford, and New Haven, Connecticut; Poughkeepsie, New York; Bridgeport, Connecticut; Oswego, New York; and Burlington, Vermont, being engineer in charge of the erection of each of these plants. Later, the firm, Dungan, Steener & Company, was formed, Mr. Ludlow's ability gaining him equal partnership in that firm and entire responsibility in the erection of gas plants.

Several years were spent in the construction and equipment of gas manufacturing and distributing plants and during those years there was forced upon Mr. Ludlow the conviction that the greatest need of the gas plants was a straight stop valve that would effectively regulate the flow of gas. Finally, he addressed himself to the task of inventing such a valve as he felt was needed and he produced the Ludlow Valve, the principal features of which were a sliding gate with separate wedge, making a perfect straight-way stop valve. This valve known then and since as the Ludlow Valve, named after its inventor, was first and thoroughly tested at the Poughkeepsie Gas Works, and pronounced a perfect regulator of not only gas, but of steam, hot water and oil.

Mr. Ludlow manufactured the Ludlow Valve in a small way in different plants until 1866, when the demand became so heavy that he came to a full realization of the fact that he had given the world an appreciated invention and must prepare himself to supply the demand he had created. In 1866 he formed and incorporated the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company and began making valves in a plant at Waterford, near Troy, New York. He met the demands for Ludlow valves at the plant in Waterford until 1872, although several increases in the plant were made. In 1872 the plant was removed to Lansingburg, opposite Troy, and there for fourteen years Ludlow valves were made for world consumption. In 1896 the entire plant of the Troy Steel and Iron Company was bought by the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company, and remodeled to their uses and that has since been the home of the Ludlow Valve. The plant has been added to as the years have increased the popularity of the valve until it is now one of Troy's largest plants. In

1891 Mr. Ludlow retired from the management of the great business he had founded and developed, and others have since been responsible for the manufacture and sale of this child of his brain, the Ludlow Valve.

Mr. Ludlow's name in Troy as a citizen rests upon an equally strong foundation, for he was always solicitous for the welfare of that city and keenly alive to his responsibilities as one of the influential men of that city. He strove to secure to Troy the benefits of good government, although he never personally sought nor held public office. He liberally supported the charities and philanthropies of the city and generously supported every good cause, aided, abetted and encouraged by his wife. He was an elder of the Second Street Presbyterian Church; a governor of Marshall Infirmary; a trustee of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Troy Orphan Asylum; the Emma Willard School; and the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society. These all benefited greatly by the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow, but he was very liberal in his giving to other Troy institutions. Spotless in reputation, honorable in every transaction, always doing good and striving to be useful, the life of Henry G. Ludlow is one to be admired and emulated.

Mr. Ludlow married Harriet M. Shattuck, of Burlington, Vermont. and to them was born a son, Henry Shattuck Ludlow, president of The Troy Record Company and interested in Troy manufacturing.

JAMES HENRY CALDWELL, manufacturer, banker, and man of large affairs, has made Troy, New York, his home and the scene of his major enterprises since 1888. In that time, in addition to the acquisition of industrial, financial and commercial interests of far-reaching importance, Mr. Caldwell has found time for participation in many spheres of the life of his adopted city and has rendered valuable service to her educational, religious, philanthropic and charitable institutions, besides enriching materially through his many commercial developments. A prominent citizen of Troy and one of the few men to whom the business groups of Northeastern New York look for leadership, Mr. Caldwell has directed his activities in fields that have materially benefited the general good of that section of the State and made for economic stability. The Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company was the enterprise that brought Mr. Caldwell to Troy, and though he entered it in a minor capacity, it was not long before he assumed complete control, being chosen president in 1909. Since that time he has devoted himself to building up the organization and extending its influence until now it has the proud reputation of being the largest valve and hydrant manufacturing corporation in the world, a position which it attained within the period of Mr. Caldwell's presidency.

James Henry Caldwell is a descendant of English ancestry, the son of Edward Holland and Caroline Amelia (Shields) Caldwell, grandson of James Henry and Margaret (Placide) Caldwell, and great-grandson of Edward Henry Caldwell, of Manchester, Lancashire, England. The line of the family was founded in the United States in 1814 by James Henry Caldwell, son of Edward Henry Caldwell, who settled in the South, where

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he attained unusual prominence and laid a solid basis for the family's fortune and prestige.

James Henry Caldwell, son of Edward Henry Caldwell, was born in Manchester, England, May 10, 1793, and died in New York City in 1863. He came to the United States in 1814, and settled in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and on January 7, 1820, removed to New Orleans, Louisiana. His first operations were in real estate, and in the improvement of a new section of the city called the South Side. He built up the greater part of that section with handsome residential structures, and erected many of the well-known buildings in the older city, including the famous St. Charles Hotel, one of the noted hostelries of the South before the Civil War. He built the first theatre on the South Side, and was at the head of theatrical enterprises in that city, in other cities of the South, and in the Southwest as well. He owned the American Theatre, which he built in 1822, and two years thereafter it was lighted by gas, the first time it had been used in the city for illumination. He built also the National Theatre, of Nashville, Tennessee, in 1825; the Cincinnati Theatre, of Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1832; the St. Charles Theatre, in New Orleans, in 1835, at that time the largest building of its kind in the United States; and in 1840 he completed his chain of amusement enterprises by erecting the Mobile Theatre. Encouraged by his success in lighting his own amusement houses by gas, which he himself had conveyed to these buildings, Mr. Caldwell organized the New Orleans Gas Light Company, with a capital of $300,000. Failing to get any of the citizens to join him in this pioneer, but promising, enterprise, he determined to light the city at his own expense, which remarkable feat he accomplished in September, 1833. The charter which he obtained gave the city the right to purchase the works at the termination of a forty-year period. The company, headed by Mr. Caldwell, later secured a new charter from the Louisiana State Legislature, and under the name of the Crescent City Company, continued the illumination of the city streets with gas until 1887, when electricity was substituted. Mr. Caldwell is still spoken of in New Orleans as "the father of gas." When he acquired the first gas franchise in New Orleans, he was given the monopoly of lighting the city and the suburbs, St. Mary (now the first district of the city), and Marigny (now the third district). The success he met with in lighting the city was so satisfactory (New Orleans being one of the first cities to use gas for public lighting) that he asked for an enlarged charter, which was granted, and the New Orleans Gas Light Company was succeeded by the New Orleans Gas Light and Banking Company, with a capital of $6,000,000. Under the new charter the company was required to establish five branch banks and gas companies in different sections of the State. This was done and banks were located in Fort Hudson, Springfield, Napoleonville, Harrisonville and Alexandria. Later there was still further expansion and the inclusion of related enterprises, the company becoming very strong and powerful, combining as it did gas companies, banks, loan institutions, and improvement companies, all of which tended to an almost impregnable financial and public service utility corporation. Mr. Cald-

well was president, and became politically prominent also. When the question of paving first arose in the city he was strongly in favor of Belgian blocks as against cobble stone and oyster shell paving, and succeeded in having a great deal of the block pavement laid along with the cheap cobble and shell paving. The system he advocated was more expensive, and therefore was strongly opposed, his advocacy of the more efficient system costing him his political position in the city, although time justified his selection of materials. Engineering reports many years later proved beyond peradventure of a doubt that it had been cheapest in the end to lay the Belgian blocks. Mr. Caldwell was a member of the Louisiana State Legislature and held high political offices in the city for twenty-four years. After being reinstated in public favor, councils voted him a silver pitcher as acknowledgment that his position on paving materials had been correct. He afterwards held gas franchises, built from his own means, and operated plants in Mobile, Cincinnati, and Memphis, the gas-making machinery for the earlier plants all having been bought in England. He was a power in the business world of the South, accumulated a large fortune, was a Democrat, and held his political preferment for that party.

James Henry (1) Caldwell married (first) Mrs. Wormsley, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, widow of a very prominent and influential man of that city. She bore him two children: William Shakespeare; and Sophie, who married Robert Dean. He married (second), in 1836, Margaret Placide, daughter of Henry Placide, of New Orleans. Children: 1. James Henry, Jr., born 1838, died 1870, in Mobile, Alabama; was a a gentleman of large means and very charitable. 2. Alice, died in infancy. 3. Edward Holland, of whom further.

Edward Holland Caldwell, son of James Henry (1) and Margaret (Placide) Caldwell, was born in New Orleans, January 8, 1844, and died in New York City, October 5, 1872. He was associated with his father in the gas and banking companies; was president of the Mobile Gas Light and Coke Company, and made his residence in Mobile. He was a man of large means and lived the life of a prosperous Southern gentleman of *ante-bellum* days. The family were Catholics in religion, except Edward Holland, who embraced the Protestant faith. He was a Democrat in politics and was influential in that party, holding important offices in Mobile. He was prominent also in the Masonic order, in which he held the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He and his wife, Caroline Amelia (Shields) Caldwell, a native of Mobile, were the parents of the following children: 1. James Henry, of further mention. 2. Edward Shields, born January 1, 1867; a capitalist of Asheville, North Carolina, and an extensive traveler; married Harriet Rutter. 3. Sarah, married (first) Nathaniel Rutter of New York City, a banker, who died in February, 1890, leaving a son, Edward Caldwell Rutter, a graduate of Yale University; married (second) Nathaniel C. Reynal, of New York City. Their children are: Nathalie; Jules; and Amelia, deceased.

James Henry Caldwell, eldest son of Edward Holland and Caroline Amelia (Shields) Caldwell, was born in Mobile, March 21, 1865. He pre-

pared for college in private schools in Maryland and in New York City, and in 1882 entered the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, being graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1886. For several years after his graduation he filled the post of civil engineer with the Mobile Gas Light Company, and it is an interesting fact in the history of the Caldwell family and of the city of Mobile that fifty-four years after James Henry Caldwell lighted the streets of New Orleans with gas, his grandson, James Henry Caldwell, built and placed in successful operation the plant that performed a similar service for the city with electricity. Until 1888 Mr. Caldwell continued a resident of Mobile, being associated with the family interests, which were principally in gas, electric and other public utility companies. He was successively vice-president and president of the Mobile Gas Light and Coke Company, and the Mobile Electric Light Company, both properties of the Caldwell estate.

In 1887-88 Mr. Caldwell traveled extensively at home and abroad, and in the latter year became identified with the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company of Troy, making that city his residence. In 1892 Mr. Caldwell was elected vice-president of the firm; in 1893 the duties of general manager were added to his responsibilities; and in 1909 he became president of the company. The Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company manufactures valves and hydrants, and its career, always successful, has reached a surpassingly high point in production and prosperity under Mr. Caldwell's guidance. His achievements in the development of this company give him place among the most able industrialists of his day, and have made the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company known wherever the materials that are its product are used. In this connection Mr. Caldwell made extraordinary use of the scientific equipment which he had striven for at college.

Mr. Caldwell has entered into numerous fields of business endeavor and his services have been widely sought in advisory capacities by his associates in the region. Success in one enterprise spread his reputation, and many naturally turned to him for the never-failing counsel. He was one of the organizers of the Troy Trust Company, and its first president, serving for eight years and resigning because of the pressure of his other affairs. He is a trustee and vice-president of the Troy Savings Bank, a director of the National State Bank of Troy, and was president of the Commercial Telephone Company until its absorption into the American Telephone and Telegraph Company system. He is president of the Van Rensselaer Hotel Company, treasurer of the Rensselaer Improvement Company, trustee of the Troy Gas Company, and is a director of the following corporations: the Albany and Vermont Railroad Company, the Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad Company, the Troy and Bennington Railroad Company, the Saratoga and Schenectady Railroad Company, the Lansingburg and Cohoes Railroad Company, the Troy and Cohoes Railroad Company, the Troy and West Troy Bridge Company, the Columbus, Marion, and Bucyrus Company, and several others.

Mr. Caldwell has taken a constant and loyal interest in the civic institutions of his city and has been able to render effective service to the

cause of education and to the organizations whose sphere is the aid of those in need, despite the innumerable claims upon his attention in the business world. He is president of the Troy Public Library; vice-president and trustee of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, his *alma mater*; and he is also president and trustee of the Samaritan Hospital, of which he was one of the founders; and trustee of the Day Home Nursery. To these interests he has given a generous share of his time and means, and their welfare and successful continuance have been close to his heart.

Mr. Caldwell is senior past president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. His fraternity, in which he has held membership since his college days, is the Delta Phi. His clubs are the University, the Engineers', the Machinery, and the Recess of New York City; and the Troy, and the Elks, of Troy. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Water Works Association, the American Gas Institute, the Illinois Gas Association, the National Founders' Association, the Geographical Society, the National Geographical Society, the American Museum of Natural History, and was, until it passed out of existence, a trustee of the Troy Academy. His religious alliance is with the Episcopal church, and he is senior warden of St. Paul's Church, of that denomination, in Troy.

James H. Caldwell married, in Troy, May 3, 1887, Margery Josephine Christie, daughter of John T. Christie, of Troy, and granddaughter of John and Margaret (Roberts) Christie, who came to the United States from Scotland in 1832, and settled first in Troy, later moving to New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell are the parents of three children: 1. Margery, married, June 16, 1916, Livingstone W. Houston, of Troy, and has two children: Margery C., and Nancy. 2. John Christie, born June 10, 1893, educated in St. Mark's School, of Southboro, Massachusetts, and the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, now associated with the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company; married Helen Greatsinger Farrell. 3. Carolyn, educated in the Emma Willard School of Troy, Miss Masters' School of Dobbs Ferry, New York, and Miss Wickham's School of New York City; she married, May 28, 1921, Cebra Quackenbush Graves, of Bennington, Vermont, and New York City.

ANTHONY PHILIP FINDER, upon graduation from Albany Law School in 1890, began the practice of law in Troy, New York, and there continues. He is a son of William and Martha E. (Bachmann) Finder, of Troy, both deceased.

Anthony Philip Finder was born in Troy, New York, September 24, 1865, and there completed courses of public school study, finishing in high school, class 1885, where he qualified for admission to Cornell University. He completed courses of study at Cornell and later prepared for the profession of law at that ancient and valuable institution, Albany Law School, now the law department of Union University, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1890.

His years of preparation completed, Mr. Finder returned to Troy with his newly-acquired degree and began the practice of law in the

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city of his birth. Thirty-three years have since elapsed and he is still engaged in general practice. In 1890 he was special agent for the eleventh census of New York, 1900-05, to gather statistics on manufacturing in Rensselaer and Albany counties; in 1898-99 he was attorney for the Rensselaer county board of supervisors; he was a member of the Board of Education of Troy; clerk of the Surrogate's Court of Rensselaer county, 1902-07; and in 1910 was supervisor of the thirteenth census for Rensselaer and Washington counties, New York.

In Masonry Mr. Finder has acquired all degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites, up to and including the thirty-second. He is affiliated with King Solomon's Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; the Scottish Rite bodies of Troy and Albany; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In religious faith he is an Episcopalian, and in politics a Republican.

Anthony P. Finder married, at Troy, January 16, 1895, Mary Louise Mearns, daughter of John and Charlotte A. (Law) Mearns. Mr. and Mrs. Finder are the parents of a daughter, Dorothy, born January 6, 1896, now a teacher of English at Elmira Free Academy; and of a son, William, born April 7, 1898, a graduate of Williams College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1920, now purchasing agent with the Eastern Malleable Iron Company, of Troy, New York.

REV. HOWARD JOHN KINGDON—The work of the church in Rensselaer county has progressed side by side with that of the professions and the industries since the early days of the pioneer settlements, when the colonists had such bitter need of the consolation of religion. In more recent years, the church has broadened the scope of its work and now much is being done of social and benevolent effort, and in this it is keeping close to the daily life of the people as a living influence for their encouragement and prosperity, as well as for their spiritual and moral growth. Rev. Howard J. Kingdon, who for the past two years has served as pastor of the Mills Memorial Baptist Church of Troy, is a representative figure in ecclesiastical circles of to-day and his activities are counting definitely for the general progress.

Rev. Kingdon is a son of John Melville and Fannie (Bennett) Kingdon, but his parents died in his early childhood, his mother passing away when he was only two years of age. At that time he was sent to an aunt, Mrs. Sylvester Carpenter, an estimable farmer's wife of eastern Rensselaer county, New York, and in the simple surroundings of this Christian farm home, he was reared and educated, the family becoming to him as his own. This Carpenter family is a very old one in Rensselaer county and one highly honored in every generation. William Carpenter owned a grist mill at Sand Lake in 1766. Philip Carpenter was living nearby in 1768, and in the same year John Carpenter was living in Hoosick Falls, then known as Hoosick Corners. Benjamin Carpenter lived in Stephentown in 1778, while Daniel Carpenter ran a ferry on the

Hudson river in 1767. John Carpenter, Jr., was one of the charter members of the Rensselaer Agricultural Society in 1819, and Dr. F. A. Carpenter began practice as a physician in Stephentown in 1828.

Howard J. Kingdon was born in Fairfield, Iowa, April 1, 1871, and in the traditions of such a family as the above grew to boyhood and youth. His first school attendance was in the little district schools near the farm home of the Carpenters, and he later attended the Bell School near Stephentown. His desire to become a minister of the gospel was encouraged by the good people who had reared him and he was then sent to Mount Whitney Seminary, following which he covered the usual theological courses in Crozer Seminary. During the course of his higher education, Rev. Kingdon acted as assistant pastor in several different communities, but took over the duties of his first regular pastorate following his graduation from the theological seminary at North Egremont, Massachusetts, where he served for three years. He then accepted a call to Delhi, Delaware county, New York, where he served for four years, at the close of which period he again removed to Beacon, New York. There he continued until 1921, when he was called to the Mills Memorial Baptist Church, of Troy, and in this connection he still serves. A forceful and persuasive speaker, Rev. Mr. Kingdon has won many new members to the congregation and to the communion of the church, and his work is felt to be broadly progressive, both as a spiritual leader and in the social and benevolent activities of the congregation. He is esteemed by his contemporaries of every shade of religious opinion and is doing much good in the city of Troy. He is a member of the New York State Pastors' Conference.

Rev. Kingdon married (first) on November 18, 1892, Nellie Rose Harrington, daughter of John A. and Mary (Rose) Harrington, of Stephentown, New York. Mrs. Kingdon died January 1, 1899, and Mr. Kingdon married (second) in Stephentown, on October 29, 1902, Amy Victoria Phelps, daughter of Nathan E. and Alice Eliza (Moffett) Phelps, Rev. and Mrs. Kingdon are the parents of two children: Philip Howard, educated in Beacon, New York, High School, and graduated from the Lansingburg High School, and now taking the teachers' course in the New York State University; and Alice Elvira, a student at Lansingburg High School.

A. C. NILES—A member of a family which his been domiciled at Berlin, New York, since the beginning of the nineteenth century, Mr. Niles is the proprietor of a general store. He was born at Berlin, January 31, 1870, son of George D. and Emmaline (Maxson) Niles. Nathaniel Niles was the pioneer member of this family in Berlin. In 1806 Eliphalet Niles, his son, and great-grandfather of A. C. Niles, was elected county supervisor from the town of Berlin, and this office he held until 1817. He was the father of John B. Niles, who carried on the family property at Berlin after his father's death. In 1849 John B. Niles was elected county supervisor. He was the owner of a farm in the vicinity of Berlin, where his son, George D. Niles, father of Mr. Niles, was born in

1833. In 1870 George D. Niles moved from the farm to the town of Berlin, and in the following year, 1871, he became a partner in the firm which then owned the general store now carried on by Mr. Niles.

The store, which is known at the present time as the A. C. Niles store, has a long and varied history. It was first established at Center Berlin, whence it was moved in the year 1818 to its present location at Berlin. At that time it was owned by a man named Lewis, but by 1823 it had passed into the possession of Mr. Murray, who retained control of it until 1830, when he disposed of his interest in the establishment to Samuel Wheeler. Three years later it again changed hands, being purchased by Robinson & Allen, who held it until 1836, when Mr. Robinson sold his interest and the firm was re-organized as Dennison & Allen. In 1841 Mr. Allen found it necessary to withdraw from the business in order to devote himself to other enterprises, and his place was taken by Mr. Streeter. In 1845 Dennison & Streeter was taken over by S. S. Streeter, who, however, held it for only one year, selling it in 1846 to D. Dennison & Co. In 1851 the firm was again re-organized and became known as Dennison & Taylor, and continued under that name for ten years. In 1861 Mr. Dennison retired from the company, and the firm became Taylor & Nichols. It remained thus during the troubled period of the Civil War, but in 1869 the partners severed their connection and Mr. Taylor's place was taken by Mr. Rasico. Rasico & Nichols remained the proprietors until 1871, when George D. Niles associated himself with Mr. Rasico. George D. Niles found the field of trade eminently suited his abilities, and his association with Mr. Rasico was long and agreeable. It is interesting to note that he was the first man at Berlin to sell kerosene oil in his store, the other proprietors regarding the new fuel as something of a novelty and of uncertain, if not doubtful, value. In 1886 Mr. Rasico retired and the firm became Niles & Dennison again. Four years later, in 1890, Mr. Niles associated himself in the business with his father, and the store was carried on under the name of G. D. Niles & Son until 1897, when George D. Niles died.

In addition to his long and prosperous career as a merchant, George D. Niles took part in many movements for the good of the community and contributed greatly during his life to the advancement and prosperity of Berlin. He held various public offices, serving as a trustee of the school board; county supervisor, to which office he was elected in 1891 and which he held until 1893; and justice of the peace. He was an active and devoted member of the Baptist Church, and served as superintendent of the Sunday School for many years. He died September 3, 1897, at the age of sixty-four years, and his death was a source of deep and lasting regret to all classes of the community.

Mrs. Emmaline (Maxson) Niles, mother of Mr. Niles, is now deceased. He has one sister, Florence D., who married F. G. Dennison. Another sister, Fannie, died at the age of twenty years. Mr. Niles has no brothers.

A. C. Niles received his education in the local schools of Berlin, and at the age of sixteen proceeded from the Berlin High School to the Albany Business College. At this institution of learning he acquired a

thorough training in business methods and commercial subjects, spending three years in study. When he had completed the full course of instruction, in 1889 he began his business career at the Gillespie Brothers store at Hoosick, New York. He remained in the store for only four months, however, and then left, having come to the conclusion that he would find a better opportunity elsewhere. His next connection was with the J. R. Prentiss Company of Troy. After having spent six months in the service of this firm, however, he was obliged to return to Berlin in order to assist his father in the management of the store. He returned home April 14, 1890, and thus began his long career as one of the town's leading merchants. He found the work of managing the general store extremely interesting, and devoted himself to a study of market conditions, raw materials, and the essential commodities with unusual zeal. He soon became an invaluable assistant to his father, assuming more and more of the duties and responsibilities connected with the business as his father's health declined. In 1897, when his father died, he inherited the store and has conducted it ever since, always maintaining the same high standards of service and quality. His lifelong devotion to the mercantile business and to the best interests of the community is reflected in the respect and admiration with which he is regarded by all classes of the community.

In 1916 Mr. Niles was elected supervisor of the town, and he served in that capacity until 1918, thus representing the fourth generation of his family to hold that office. A forward-looking and progressive citizen, he is not formally affiliated with any political party, but supports constructive and far-sighted policies at all times, whether they are advocated by the candidates of one party or another. A vigorous and energetic man, Mr. Niles is a great baseball enthusiast. He was formerly a player of wide reputation and pitched many winning games for the Berlin baseball team. Although he does not so often play nowadays, he is still more than a match for the average batsman, and his presence in the pitcher's place is usually the forerunner of a winning score for his team.

Besides his love for outdoor sports and games, Mr. Niles has an absorbing interest in music. A player of great skill and versatility, he has been a member of the Berlin Band for the past thirty-eight years. He plays four instruments and now holds the position of assistant leader, for which his high musical attainments fully qualify him. In religious faith Mr. Niles is a member of the Baptist church, to which his ancestors have belonged for many generations. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a past grand master of Berlin Lodge, No. 578, of that order.

Mr. Niles married, on July 2, 1892, at Matteawan, New York, Margaret Barrett, daughter of Patrick Barrett. Mr. and Mrs. Niles have one daughter, Fannie, who is named for Mr. Niles' sister Fannie, who died in girlhood. Fannie Niles is now the wife of Dr. Alson J. Hull, M. D., of Troy, and has one daughter, Margaret, who is named for her maternal grandmother.

John H. Woodhouse

JOHN H. WOODHOUSE—As president of the J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company, of Troy, New York, Mr. Woodhouse is head of a manufacturing business which has attained its present large proportion through business ability, energy and devotion to its interests. The plant, which was bought in 1912, bears little resemblance to the plant of to-day, and there the manufacture of chains has been reduced to a science. Mr. Woodhouse is of that type of man properly denominated "self-made," and he has indeed been the architect of his own fortunes. The success which he has attained has been richly deserved, and every man who knows him agrees with that statement. The products of the J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company are sold in the markets of the world, and when the fact is known that ten years ago the company was about at its last gasp, the marvelous work Mr. Woodhouse has accomplished becomes apparent.

Mr. Woodhouse is a descendant of an ancient English family, the name being spelled Wodehouse, Woodis, Woodies, Woodice, Woodeues, Wooddy and Woodhouse, the latter form being prominent in Shropshire as the name of a place adjoining Lee Parva or Leonard's Lee, which was in the possession of Thomas deLegh in 1180. The principal tenants on estate at Woodhouse seem to have taken their family name from this place, as about 1270 Henry de Woodhouse appears as a man of much importance in the county. The name also occurs in York, and Woodhouses and Wentworths were closely connected. A Thomas Woodhouse was persecuted for his religion and executed in 1573, and London records contain the name in 1618 as merchants of standing. The family bore arms, those of the Staffordshire family being:

Arms—Sable, on a chevron or, guttee-de-sang between three cinquefoils ermine, a griffin passant of the field.

Mantling—Sable and or.

Crest—Upon a wreath of the colours, issuing from clouds, a cubit arm vested argent, and charged with a cinquefoil gules, hand grasping a club, all proper.

Motto—Agincourt.

John H. Woodhouse is a grandson of John Woodhouse, of Cradley Heath, South Staffordshire, England, a chain manufacturer, and a man of prominence in business, town and church. William Woodhouse, son of John Woodhouse, was born in Cradley Heath, South Staffordshire, England, in 1846, died in Trenton, New Jersey, in 1908. He was educated in the town schools, and when young began working in his father's chain factory. In January, 1882, he came to the United States and located in Trenton, New Jersey, becoming there an employee of the New Jersey Iron & Steel Company. The year following (1883) he began the manufacture of chains under the name of William Woodhouse Chain Works, continuing that business very successfully until his death in 1908. He became a man of prominence, was well known in Trenton, and in England was a friend of the great English statesmen, Gladstone and Chamberlain, having entertained them in his own home. He was a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church (like his father before him), and was a tower of strength to the Trenton church. For several

years after his death the chain manufacturing business which the father founded and developed was conducted by his sons, John H. and Thomas T. Woodhouse. William Woodhouse married Sarah Ann Troman, daughter of Thomas Troman, born in England, and they were the parents of nine children: William; Thomas T.; Alfred; Charles E., deceased; Emma Jane; Elizabeth; Ann Maria; Rebecca, deceased; John H., of further mention.

John H. Woodhouse, son of William and Sarah Ann (Troman) Woodhouse, was born in Cradley Heath, South Staffordshire, England, August 11, 1875, and there the first seven years of his life were passed. In 1882 he was brought to Trenton, New Jersey, by his parents, and there he attended the public schools and the State Normal School. When his years of study ended, he learned the tool maker's trade with the Trenton Iron & Steel Company, and later took courses in mechanical engineering and drawing under Professor Crampton of Trenton. Later he was associated with his father as superintendent of the chain works in Trenton, and after the latter's death, he continued the business with his brother, Thomas T., until 1912, when he moved to Troy, New York, having purchased the J. B. Carr Company, August 10th, of that year. The J. B. Carr Company was a chain manufacturing company, whose business had greatly run down, Mr. Woodhouse taking it over at a time when its fortunes were at a low ebb. The company was established in 1865, and under Mr. Woodhouse's management it has taken honorable rank with similar concerns. Its business, domestic and foreign, is large, and is a splendid monument to the energy, enterprise and executive ability of John H. Woodhouse. In 1896 the company was incorporated as J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company, Incorporated, and Mr. Woodhouse became president and treasurer in 1912. The firm, J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company, Incorporated, is a member of the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States. During the war the J. B. Carr-Woodhouse Company, Inc., was working one hundred per cent on war supplies for the navy department and emergency fleet, and Mr. Woodhouse was often called to New York City and Washington, District of Columbia, in consultation by the various bureaus on specifications as to the practicability, etc., and in nearly all cases the government accepted the recommendations made by Mr. Woodhouse. He was vice-president of the Troy Barracks, Incorporated, which the State of New York recently purchased, and was president of the Arsenal Extension, Incorporated, which was formed by citizens of Troy and Watervliet, to purchase property adjacent to the Watervliet Arsenal. The arsenal property was purchased and turned over to the government. Mr. Woodhouse is a director of the National State Bank, of Troy; formerly a director of the Walter A. Wood Company, of Hoosick Falls; director of the Pixine Chemical Company, of Troy; member of the United States Chamber of Commerce; and in 1921 was elected president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. He is a thoroughly modern man of affairs, interested in everything that is of benefit to his city.

In the Masonic order, Mr. Woodhouse is affiliated with Trenton

Lodge, No. 5, Free and Accepted Masons, of Trenton, New Jersey, and past master of same; Three Times Three Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Palestine Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Troy. His clubs are the Troy, Rotary, Fort Orange of Albany, and Van Schaick Island Golf Club. In church relation he is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Troy.

Mr. Woodhouse married, August 23, 1898, Anna May Pullen, daughter of Frank and Virginia May (Stahl) Pullen, her parents residents of Trenton, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Woodhouse are the parents of two children: John S., born April 29, 1900, educated in Troy schools and Albany Boys' Academy, now a student at Middlebury, Vermont, and pursuing (1923) a course in commerce and banking at New York University summer school; and Sarah, educated in the Bennett School at Middlebrook, New York. Mrs. Woodhouse is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The family home is at No. 58 Pine Woods avenue; the summer residence, Averill Park, New York.

EDWARD (2) MURPHY, United States Senator from 1892-1899, and mayor of Troy, 1875-1883, was a native son of Troy, New York, and spent his life as a resident of the city of his birth, although his estate on the New Jersey coast was long his summer home. But Troy, with her business interests, her public affairs and general welfare, was always nearest his heart and he was always her true and loyal son. He was a son of Edward and Mary Murphy, both born in Ireland, they coming to the United States in 1833 by way of Canada, locating in Troy, New York, where both died, leaving an only son, Edward (2) Murphy. Edward Murphy, the elder, founded a brewery in Troy, and taught his son the business.

Edward (2) Murphy was born in Troy, New York, December 15, 1834, and died in Elberon, New Jersey, August 9, 1912. He was educated in Troy public schools, Montreal College, Canada, and St. John's College, Fordham, New York, finishing with graduation from the last-named institution, class of 1859. He then became his father's business assistant, and was chiefly instrumental in the development of the business from a small to a strong and vigorous enterprise. After several years of association, the father retired, leaving the care and management of the business to the son. After continuing alone for some years, Mr. Murphy entered into a partnership with William Kennedy, a competitor, they merging as Kennedy & Murphy, but later they incorporated as the Kennedy, Murphy Malting Company, Edward (2) Murphy, president and treasurer. That company became the largest brewing corporation in the State outside of New York City, Mr. Murphy retaining an active interest until 1903. His outside interests were important. When, in 1889, several small gas companies of Troy consolidated, forming the Troy Gas Company, he was elected the first president, an office he retained for a quarter of a century. He was connected officially with the Manufacturers' National Bank, becoming vice-president at its organization. He

dealt heavily in real estate, and from 1875 owned seaside property at Elberon, New Jersey, and there maintained his summer home.

While Mr. Murphy laid broad and deep the foundation upon which he built a most creditable business edifice, his public career was equally honorable and brilliant. At an early age he entered public life, and at the age of twenty-five sat in a Democratic State Convention. From that time forward until his retirement he was a delegate to most of his party conventions, State and National. He became popular with the voters, and no defeat at the polls marred his political career. In 1864 he was elected alderman, and for ten years he continued a member of that board. In 1874 he was elected fire commissioner (he an old volunteer fireman); he was elected mayor of Troy in 1875 and was three times reëlected, but he declined the offered fifth term. In the mayoralty he gained high reputation for executive ability and courageous leadership. His administration was marked by many improvements. A new city hall was built, and from the amount appropriated there remained an unexpended balance after all bills were paid. He gave the city a good system of granite pavements, and left Troy with a smaller bonded indebtedness than any city of similar size in the United States. City bonds were below par when he took his seat, but when he retired from the office of mayor, eight years later, they were at a premium. During these eight years he drew no salary for his own use, but each Christmas that two thousand dollar salary was distributed among the charitable institutions of Troy, regardless of creed.

While mayor, but during his absence from the city, a "run" was started on the Manufacturers' Bank, Mayor Murphy was telegraphed for, and the steps he took saved the bank from ruin. Mr. Murphy pledged his private fortune, and aided by his friends, George P. Ide and William Earl, the collar manufacturers, obtained a quarter of a million dollars from the other banks of Troy. This vast sum he carried to the bank and deposited in sight of the frightened depositors, who thus convinced that their deposits were safe, stopped the run, and the bank was saved.

That he did not lack physical courage was amply proven during his term in office. Rensselaer county has a large Irish population, both Catholic and Protestant. True to their blood, they often clashed, and the Orangemen's parade had been abandoned for several years. In honor of the Centennial of the Nation, the Orangemen decided to parade in 1876 and so notified the authorities in charge of the city celebration. The Catholic Irish body at once withdrew from the proposed Centennial parade and threats were made that there would be blood shed if the Orangemen persisted in marching. Mayor Murphy met the situation by calling out every policeman in the city, placed himself at their head, and led the Orange line through the streets, neither insult nor outrage being offered the paraders.

Mayor Murphy was an ardent supporter of Samuel J. Tilden, and believed that he was elected president of the United States in 1876, but defrauded of his election by the verdicts of the Electoral Commission created to meet the emergency. In 1880 he was a delegate to the Na-

tional Democratic Convention and there supported Mr. Tilden for the presidency, although he acquiesced in the nomination of General W. S. Hancock. In the State convention of 1882 he was in favor of Erastus Corning, but later cast his vote and that of Rensselaer county for Grover Cleveland, that vote deciding the voting in Mr. Cleveland's favor, his nomination being at once announced.

At the Democratic National Convention of 1884 he favored Roswell P. Flower, of New York, for President, but in 1888, at the St. Louis convention, he supported President Cleveland for renomination. In 1892 he was one of the four delegates-at-large from New York to the Democratic National Convention at Chicago, Illinois, and was chairman of the delegation. He first supported David B. Hill for President, but acquiesced loyally in the nomination of ex-President Grover Cleveland for the third time. From 1887 until 1894 he was chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and during that period the Democracy wrested control of both houses of the Legislature from the Republicans. After Chairman Murphy took charge of the State party machinery, the Democracy gained control and held it, both branches being Democratic, when Mr. Murphy retired from the office. The fact speaks volumes for his skill as a party leader, for when he assumed the reins the Legislature was Republican in both houses.

In 1892, when it was found that the Democrats would have a majority on joint ballot, there was general demand within the party that Mr. Murphy be chosen United States Senator to succeed Frank Hitchcock as senator from New York, and it was done, Mr. Murphy taking his seat in the United States Senate at the extra session of Congress, beginning in March, 1892. In the Senate he served as chairman of the Committee on Relations with Canada, and on other committees. He filled the position with dignity and ability, returning to Troy at the expiration of his term in 1899, and devoting himself to his business affairs. His career as a public man deserves commendation. He met every obligation of citizenship, and as an official, served with fervency, efficiency and zeal. He never lost his interest in public affairs, although for a quarter of a century he was retired from public life, after his return from the Senate, and he always retained his influence and popularity. A characteristic trait that was never obscured in any position he ever held was his scrupulous regard for his given word, "always keeping his promises."

Personally, Senator Murphy was most courteous, generous and sympathetic. He liked social entertainment and was most hospitable, entertaining in his home many of the most distinguished men and women of his day. He was a man of liberal thought, kindly in disposition, a staunch friend, and true to the core. He was respected and esteemed by all with whom he came in contact, either in private, business or public life, and to all else he added tremendous energy. His life was one of success from whatever angle viewed, and to his sons he left a name honored in the business world, a name which they have worthily carried to greater prominence in Troy's business life, but in public life he stands as the sole family representative. He was a member of many clubs and

organizations in Troy, Albany, and New York City, and his religious affiliation was with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Early in life, Senator Murphy married Julia Delehanty, eldest child of Michael and Mary (Quinn) Delehanty, her father a wholesale dealer in store and house-furnishing goods at Albany, New York, and under Governor Roswell P. Flower, was superintendent of public buildings. Senator Edward and Julia (Delehanty) Murphy were the parents of nine children: Mary, born March 21, 1868, died in 1892; Edward (3), a sketch of whom follows; Julia, who married Hugh J. Grant, of New York City, mayor of New York City, in 1890; William E.; John J., a business man of New York City; Joseph J., whose sketch follows that of Edward (3); Jane L. McCann; Richard F., a business man, of New York City; Helen Miller.

EDWARD (3) MURPHY, since 1892 has been prominently identified with the legal profession in the city of Troy, New York, and among a host of associates in various fraternal and social organizations he is highly respected. His parents were Senator Edward and Julia (Delehanty) Murphy, of Troy, New York, (see preceding sketch), where he was born April 13, 1870.

Edward (3) Murphy attended the public schools in his native city as a boy, and later studied in a preparatory school before entering Georgetown University, at Washington, District of Columbia, where he graduated in 1890, with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. Then he pursued a course in law at the Albany Law School and in 1892 received from that institution the degree of Bachelor of Laws. After completing his education he began the practice of law, which he has since continued, in Troy. Mr. Murphy is president of the Troy Gas Company; vice-president of the Manufacturers' National Bank of Troy; director of the Security Safe Deposit Company, of Troy; treasurer of the River Front Corporation; owner of the Troy Theatre; and vice-president of the Security Properties Company.

The college fraternity, Phi Kappa, numbers him among its members; also the following clubs: Troy Club, of which he is a director; Troy Golf Club; Albany Country Club; McGregor Golf Club, Saratoga Golf Club, Saratoga, New York; and the Mohawk Golf Club, Schenectady, New York. He is affiliated with the New York State Bar Association, and the Rensselaer County Bar Association. In religious faith he is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

In 1899 Mr. Murphy was united in marriage with Helen Townsend Marlin, of Albany, New York, and to this union one child was born, Helen, who was educated in the Emma Willard School, of Troy, New York, and Madame Rieffel's School, in New York City.

JOSEPH J. MURPHY—Few men are so well known in the city of Troy, New York, as Joseph J. Murphy, who is actively interested in banking and manufacturing concerns, and in civic and social organizations of this city and elsewhere. He is a son of Edward (2) and Julia

(Delehanty) Murphy, of Troy, New York, (q. v), where he was born April 16, 1879.

Joseph J. Murphy began his education in La Salle School and later attended St. Joseph's Academy, and Georgetown University, in the District of Columbia, although not a graduate of the latter institution. After completing his education, he became associated in various business enterprises, until to-day he holds the position of treasurer in the United Waste Company, of Troy; the National Textile Manufacturing Company, of Cohoes, New York; and is a director of the Manufacturers' National Bank, of Troy; and treasurer of the Hudson River Terminal Warehouse Company. Mr. Murphy is a director in other banks and manufacturing concerns. He is also affiliated with twenty-eight clubs of various cities in the country, among which are the following: Troy Club; Laureate Boat Club; Island Country Club; Woolferts Roost Club, Albany; Albany Club; Albany Country Club; Mohawk Club; Mohawk Country Club; Lamb's Club, of New York City; Westchester Country Club, of New York City; New York Athletic Club, New York City; Lincoln Club, of New York City; Troy Riding Club; Troy Commercial Travelers; Troy Chamber of Commerce; and fraternally, he is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In religion he is a Roman Catholic, and a communicant in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of this city.

Mr. Murphy was united in marriage with Elizabeth M. Farrell, who died in 1900, leaving no issue.

BUDDINGTON SHARPE—A representative of a pioneer family of Rensselaer county, New York, Mr. Sharpe has many business and social connections with the life of the county. He was born on the old Sharpe homestead at North Greenbush, Rensselaer county, July 27, 1874, son of Marshall H. and Mary (Van Husen) Sharpe.

His great-great-great-grandfather, Nicholas Sharpe, came to North Greenbush in the latter part of the seventeenth century and established the homestead, where Mr. Sharpe was born. In those days, Rensselaer county was still to a great extent virgin territory; the forests, which have since been so sadly depleted, harbored many forms of wild life since driven westward towards the prairies or annihilated by ruthless hunters, the Five Nations still flourished, and the dangers of Indian fighting were not yet past. Adventurous and sturdy, Nicholas Sharpe cleared his land, built himself a home, and set to work to cultivate the soil. His efforts were well repaid and in the course of time, surrounded by his wife and children, he became prosperous and enjoyed a position of influence in the rising community. Throughout the many years that followed, the Sharpe homestead was handed down from father to son, until at length it came to Mr. Sharpe, upon the death of his father, Marshall H. Sharpe, of further mention.

Marshall H. Sharpe was the son of John G. and Hannah (Horsford) Sharpe. He spent his life as an agriculturist, giving his personal care to the management of the family homestead and serving the community

for many years as justice of the peace. His wife, Mary (Van Husen) Sharpe, was the daughter of Henry and Catelene (Sprigstein) Van Husen. She was a representative of an old Dutch family that settled in New York in the early days of Dutch colonization. Like her ancestors, Mrs. Sharpe was a devoted member of the Dutch Reformed church, and to her deep religious training and wise guidance, Mr. Sharpe owes no small part of his present success and influence. Their son, Buddington Sharpe, is of further mention.

Buddington Sharpe received his preliminary education in the district school of North Greenbush, and during his spare time and in the summer vacations, he helped his father with the work of the farm. Beginning as a little lad, he helped with the lighter tasks, such as chopping and arranging kindling wood, feeding chickens and gathering eggs, and driving livestock to and from the pastures. As time passed and his strength increased, he became expert at the more difficult tasks of farming and learned to plough a straight furrow, in the days when agricultural machinery was still a rarity, to sow his grain evenly, and to harvest the ripe sheaves of golden grain in time for Thanksgiving. Side by side with his agricultural training, he carried on his academic studies and after his graduation from the district school, proceeded to the Troy Business College, where he acquired a thorough training in business methods and commercial subjects. When his days at the business college were over and his studies were completed, he returned home and until his father's death, he devoted himself to the work of helping him in the management of the homestead.

After his father's death, Mr. Sharpe decided to enlarge his interests and, having a thorough knowledge of the country round about and being an excellent judge of land values, he established himself in the real estate and insurance business. This venture prospered and before long he was obliged to open a main office at Troy, and this office he still maintains in addition to his office at Rensselaer. He has been instrumental in developing many favorably situated properties at Troy and Rensselaer, and his judgment in regard to the real estate market and the probable future of property in this neighborhood is regarded with the highest respect by all ranks of the business world. In addition to his real estate and insurance business, Mr. Sharpe has the exclusive agency for the Ford Motors at Rensselaer and makes a specialty of dealing in their farm and harvesting machinery. As one who has seen the great growth of American agriculture, which is due in no small part to the use of farm machinery, and who realizes the fundamental importance of farming to a nation such as ours, Mr. Sharpe takes the greatest interest in farming problems and work. He is always ready to advise those who come to him for machinery as to the best type of tractor or harvester for their needs, and he has established a record for the sale of Ford farm machinery in this county.

Mr. Sharpe has never given up the old homestead, and still manages it. He has, however, converted it from a general farm to a dairy farm, and his herds of pure blooded, prize-winning cattle never fail to excite

the admiration of passers-by on the roads skirting the farm, or of visitors at the agricultural shows or county fairs where they may happen to be on exhibition. The milk and cream and other dairy products from the Sharpe farm are renowned for their excellence, and the present beauty and fertility of the property bear eloquent testimony to the wisdom and care devoted to the soil by the five generations of thrifty proprietors who preceded Mr. Sharpe. The smooth pastures, trim fences, gentle streams, and sleek cattle offer a decided contrast to the scene that must have greeted the eyes of a visitor to North Greenbush in the year when Nicholas Sharpe drove the first stakes for his dwelling, and reflect the great advances that have taken place in America since those early days.

In politics Mr. Sharpe is a Republican. He was elected sheriff of Rensselaer county in 1918, and served in that capacity for three years. He had previously held office as county supervisor from the town of North Greenbush, having been elected to that office in 1907 and having served continuously for the next eight years. At the present time Mr. Sharpe's business interests occupy the whole of his time and his political interests are confined to those of an unofficial member of his party and a voter. He takes an active interest in State and national issues however, and is a vigorous supporter of the present administration at Washington, especially in regard to matters affecting the welfare of the agricultural community. He believes in the movement for better roads, better transportation facilities, and increased standards of agricultural production. The work carried on by the United States Government through the Department of Agriculture finds in him a ready advocate, and he follows with the deepest interest the efforts of the government to check the spread of insect and fungoid pests which destroy our crops, and to prevent their importation from any foreign port by a rigid quarantine for seed and plants coming from suspected areas. Among all members of the community, Mr. Sharpe is recognized as a vigorous and public-spirited citizen, and his influence in matters pertaining to his chosen fields is widespread. He is a member of Silver Brook Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Wynantskill, New York; the Kiwanis Club; and the Chamer Club. In religious faith, Mr. Sharpe follows his mother, and attends the Brimmer Grove Dutch Reformed Church. He has served the church in the capacity of librarian for thirteen years, and is always ready to lend his assistance to any work undertaken by the congregation of which he is a member, or by the church in general.

Mr. Sharpe married, on February 20, 1902, at Rensselaer, New York, Jennie Garrison, daughter of Frank and Mary Lillian Garrison. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe have two children; Andrew Garrison, who was born at Rensselaer, July 20, 1906; and Lodema, born September 5, 1911, and died at the age of seven years.

HON. WILLIAM JAMES ROCHE—One of the foremost figures in the public and civic life of to-day in Troy, New York, is Hon. William J. Roche, attorney and counselor-at-law—a man of unusual note and a public-spirited, progressive citizen. Mr. Roche has been active in the

practice of law for upwards of forty-five years, and during a considerable portion of that time has held several responsible offices. He comes from an old Irish family, of which six generations have borne the name of William Roche. His father, William Roche, was born in Castletown Roche, Ireland, and came to the United States in 1841, settling in Troy about three years later. For many years he was employed at the flour mill of Vail & Hayner, on Spring avenue, later at the Crystal Palace Flour Mills, on River street, conducted by Bills & Thayer, where he was a salesman, and later was waymaster at the Burden Iron Works. He died in 1891. His mother, Margaret (Guiry) Roche, who was also born in Ireland, came to this country in 1845, and died in 1886.

William J. Roche was born in Troy, New York, March 7, 1853. He was educated at St. Mary's Academy, later known as La Salle Institute. Having made his choice of a profession he entered the law office of Townsends & Browne, and there he read law under the able preceptorship of those gentlemen. He was admitted to the bar in 1874. He succeeded Mr. Browne in that firm four years later, and the name became Townsends & Roche. Subsequently, in 1881, upon the dissolution of this firm, a new partnership was formed between Hon. Martin I. Townsend and William J. Roche. Further changes in the personnel of the firm occurred in 1889, when Henry T. Nason was taken in, the firm becoming Townsend, Roche & Nason.

Mr. Nason retired from the practice of law in 1897, after he was elected county judge of Rensselaer county, and the firm continued as Townsend & Roche until 1900. Meanwhile, and in 1883, Mr. Roche was appointed city attorney of Troy, serving in that capacity for upwards of two years. In December, 1886, he was appointed by Mayor Whelan to act as city comptroller to fill an unexpired term, and his work in this office was so acceptable that he was reappointed for a full term, which brought him forward in the same office to October, 1890. In that year he was appointed corporation counsel, and thereafter, for nearly ten years, he continued to be the legal adviser of the Municipal Government. While acting as city comptroller, Mr. Roche became convinced that the method of assessing the entire expense of public improvements upon private property was a great hindrance to the making of improvements and to the growth and beautification of the city, and so he initiated an agitation which led to the formation of the Citizens' Association to examine into the matter, and this resulted in getting Legislature to amend the City Charter in such manner as to divide the assessments for such improvements as the opening, grading, sewering and paving of streets in equal proportions upon the property benefited and the city-at-large, and also in the creation of a Public Improvement Commission to lay out public streets in the undeveloped portions of the city, and to prescribe a sewerage system for all unsewered streets. The effect was to stimulate the making of improvements under the system, which has continued in vogue to this time.

During his incumbency of the office of corporation counsel, Mr. Roche tried and argued many cases for the city and had marked success therein.

He instigated and drew the first law that was passed for the establishment of a public park in Troy. The observance of Old Home Week and the Hudson-Fulton Celebration found in him an active supporter, and in connection with the former he delivered one of the principal addresses at a largely attended meeting in Music Hall. In 1893 Mr. Roche was elected a delegate from the Eighteenth Senatorial District to the State Constitutional Convention of 1894. He took a very active part in the work of that body, whose proposed constitution was approved by the people and became effective January 1, 1895. In this body Mr. Roche served as a member of the Committee on Legislative Powers, and also on the Committee on Corporations. In 1900 he entered a partnership with his brother, Edmund G. Roche, under the firm name of Roche & Roche, which continued until the death of his brother in 1903. A new firm of Roche & Roche was formed in 1909, consisting of William J. Roche and his son, William C. Roche, and this firm was succeeded by Roche, Tierney & Roche, which was formed January 1, 1916, Michael A. Tierney, who had been Rensselaer county judge for many years, being taken into the firm. This firm holds high standing in the professional world, and the head of the firm is counted among the prominent figures of the bar of this State. William J. Roche is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, and the Rensselaer County Bar Association; and he was a vice-president of the State Bar Association.

When "The Supreme Court Library at Troy" was created by act of the Legislature in 1908, Mr. Roche was appointed by Governor Hughes to be one of the three trustees of the library, and by successive appointments he has continued in that position up to this time. He is also a trustee of the Troy Public Library. Politically he has been identified with the Democratic party, and as a delegate has attended many of its conventions. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of the Troy Club, and the Alumni Association of the La Salle Institute, of which he was one of the founders and twice president.

Mr. Roche has been actively identified with the movements for the improvement of the Hudson river, the development of the barge canal, and the establishment of a canal terminal at this city, and, in support of this work, he addressed many meetings and conventions; for a number of years he was one of the directors of the State Waterways Association; and he was also a director for this district of the National Waterways Association. On April 12, 1916, Troy celebrated the Centennial Anniversary of its incorporation as a city. Mr. Roche was the chairman of the Citizens' Committee, which, in conjunction with a committee of the Common Council, took the matter in charge, and on that evening he delivered the historical address at Music Hall.

Mr. Roche married, on May 15, 1880, Mary L. Campion, of New York City, and they have four sons living: 1. William C., educated at La Salle Institute and Albany Law School, now a member of the firm, who married Alice Manny, and has two children: William M. and Mary L. 2. Alfred E., educated in La Salle Institute and Rensselaer Polytechnic

Institute, with the degree of Civil Engineer, now city engineer of Troy, who married Laura Yund, and has two children: Charles, and Louis. 3. Frank L., educated in La Salle Institute and Troy Academy, who married Helen Hartigan. 4. Edmund G., educated in La Salle Institute, Lafayette College and Yale University, Bachelor of Arts degree, who married Winifred Stapleton, and has one son, Edmund, Jr. A fifth son died.

WILLIAM HENRY VAN EVERY—In Troy's history William Henry Van Every fills a place that is doubly distinctive, for he was the first comptroller of the city after the creation of that office, and were there no official honor to mark his career its broad usefulness and beneficial influences would assure appreciative memory for many years. His life story is that of a man faithful to worthy aims, whose standards and principles were of high order.

William H. Van Every was born in Petersburg, Rensselaer county, New York, May 23, 1832, son of Michael Van Every, a well-known attorney, and Clarissa (Greene) Van Every. Educated in the public schools of his birthplace, and at the Pownal Academy, he came to Troy in 1852 as principal of the old Adams Street School, afterward known as School No. 10. In this office he gained wide popularity with pupils and parents alike, and made an excellent record as teacher and principal. Representatives of the first families of Troy sat under his teachings in the public school and as private tutor. He was at his best when working with individuals, and under his sympathetic, resourceful tutorship many youths received collegiate preparation that an institution could not have offered.

After several years spent in the profession of pedagogy, Mr. Van Every entered the world of affairs in the insurance business, organizing the firm of Van Every, MacDonald & Carroll in the early sixties. When this partnership was dissolved, Mr. Van Every became a fire insurance adjuster for the Westchester Fire Insurance Company, and in 1871 was elected to its directorate, upon which he continued until his death. He brought to the insurance business the studious and exact habits that were an early and lifelong characteristic, and in this field he gained wide reputation as a thoroughly and expertly-informed authority. He was a valued member of actuarial circles until his retirement about 1890, after which he devoted his time and energies to the administration of personal affairs, chiefly real estate and loans. As previously stated, Mr. Van Every was the first comptroller of the city of Troy, a position to which he was appointed by the Hon. Thomas B. Carroll, then mayor, and upon the conclusion of his term he was prevailed upon to serve several additional months. His salary for this extra period was given for charitable purposes, many philanthropic organizations knowing him as a liberal friend over a long period of years. Even those who knew him but slightly were familiar with his kindness of heart, an attribute that governed his business actions as well as those of his private life. In many instances he waived the letter of obligations to him in order to meet the spirit of his debtors. His plan of life embraced much more than the

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strivings of the world of affairs; it called for brotherhood, friendliness, and effort for the common good.

Mr. Van Every was for many years an attendant of the old Second Street Presbyterian Church, continuing in its congregation until it was merged with the First Presbyterian Church. He gave much time to Masonic work, for many years was secretary of his lodge, and affiliated with Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar. He was a charter member of St. Joseph's Club, and gave hearty and generous support to its program. The following quotation is from the editorial columns of the Troy "Daily Times" at Mr. Van Every's passing:

William H. Van Every, whose death is announced, was one of the oldest residents of Troy who have been actively identified with the city's affairs. Mr. Van Every was the first Comptroller of Troy. Long before that he had been a school teacher in what is now School 10, at Adams street. For many years he was engaged extensively in the adjustment of insurance losses. He was a man of strong character, keenly intelligent, ready to discuss forcibly any problem of public interest, and carrying an energetic spirit of youth into the years of advanced life. For many years Mr. Van Every was one of the young-old men of Troy, almost unequaled in the extent of his reminiscence in local affairs, and as open-minded to the idea and the person of to-day as to the principle or acquaintance of a half-century or more ago.

William Henry Van Every married (first), July 17, 1860, Mary Adelaide Carroll, daughter of Mayor Thomas B. Carroll, of Troy. She died April 7, 1907, there having been one child of this marriage, Adelaide, who died October 8, 1887. Mr. Van Every married (second), April 5, 1909, Blanche Groom, daughter of Egbert and Esther M. (Mills) Groom. (See Groom VI). Mrs. Van Every was born at Eagle Mills, near Troy, New York, April 25, 1875. She is a member of the Illium Club, of Troy, the Everglades Club, of Palm Beach, Florida, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is a member of the Rensselaer County Child Welfare Board, a member of the Women's Board of the Samaritan Hospital, and treasurer of the Bethesda Home of Troy. Her religious affiliation is with the Second Baptist Church of Troy.

(The Groom-Groome Line).

Groom Arms—Argent, three piles in point gules, a chief azure.
Crest—On the top of a torteau, winged gules, an eagle standing, with wings displayed, or.

(I) Peter Groom, the first member of this line of definite record, died in New Brunswick, New Jersey. His will, made December 9, 1726, was proved November 25, 1728. He was a "yoeman," his will states, of Middlesex, and in this document he mentions sons: Peter, Samuel, Thomas and William under age, and John, also grandson, Peter Groom. As all sons save John were under age, then grandson Peter must have been son of John. He had a large estate and owned slaves. In 1693 he was of Burlington county, New Jersey, and in 1696 he was of Ossinpinck, East New Jersey. He married (second), before 1709, Elizabeth Wood, daughter of Thomas Wood. Children of first wife: 1. John, of whom further. 2. Peter, born about 1706, died in 1768. Children of sec-

ond wife: 3. Samuel, under age in 1726. 4. Thomas, under age in 1726. 5. William, under age in 1726. 6. Mary. 7. Elizabeth. 8. Margaret. 9. Ann, married, in 1732, Richard Kearns. 10. Sarah.

(II) John Groom, son of Peter Groom, died in Middlesex county, New Jersey. He married, and among his children was Peter, of whom further.

(III) Peter Groome (as the name was spelled for several generations), son of John Groom, was born in Middlesex county, New Jersey, before 1726, and died at Half Moon, New York. His will, made in 1796, was proved in 1799. He lived at Half Moon (then Albany county), Saratoga county, New York, in 1790, where he had a family of one male over sixteen, his wife, and one slave. In 1791 he was a member of Newton church at Half Moon, New York. He married, and his children were: 1. Peter, Jr., of Half Moon in 1790. 2. William, of Half Moon in 1790, served in the Revolution. 3. James, of whom further. 4. Susan, married a Benedict. 5. Rachel, married John Raven. 6. Sally, married a Patterson. 7. Leah, married John Moore. 8. Polly, married John Munsey.

(IV) James Groome, son of Peter Groome, was born July 20, 1754, and died in Clifton Park, New York, April 26, 1825. He lived near the corners that bear his name (Groom's Corners) near Clifton Park, Saratoga county, New York. In 1790 he had three children under sixteen years of age (only two given below, probably another child who died young, before 1790). He served in the Revolution in the Twelfth Regiment, Albany County Militia. He married, before 1786, Margaret Moon. She was born February 9, 1769, and died in 1846. Children: 1. Stephen, born March 27, 1787 2. James, born January 23, 1789. 3. Thomas, born March 27, 1791. 4. Amos, born March 26, 1794, died in 1884. 5. Sarah, born March 18, 1796; married a Ketchum. 6. Levi, born May 25, 1798, died in 1825. 7. Garret V. S., born July 5, 1800, died in 1825. 8. Milton, born November 11, 1802, died in 1838. 9. Mary, born February 17, 1805, died in 1837. 10. Richard, of whom further. 11. William, born September 27, 1809, died in 1886. 12. Jesse, born November 10, 1811. 13. Nancy, born February 17, 1814; married a Cook.

(V) Richard Groome, son of James and Margaret (Moon) Groome, was born June 20, 1807, and died in Canandaigua, New York, December 30, 1892. He married, (first), before 1836, Betsey Scidmore. (See Scidmore VIII). He married, (second), Sophia Hayes Shaver. Children by first wife: 1. Egbert, of whom further. 2. Cynthia, born March 14, 1838, died October 1, 1914; married Henry H. Rice. 3. Mary, born March 26, 1840, died July 31, 1912; married Henry C. Lerch. 4. Emily, born September 23, 1843, died October 29, 1923. Children by second wife: 5. Maria Wagar, died April 4, 1921; married Jesse W. Ketchum. 6. Richard.

(VI) Egbert Groom, son of Richard and Betsey (Scidmore) Groome, was born November 8, 1836, and died November 8, 1904. He married Esther Maria Mills. (See Mills VI). Children: 1. Charles Egbert, born June 19, 1860; married (first) Helen Franklin, (second) Nellie Warner. 2. Cynthia Maria, born June 1, 1861; married Eugene M. Wildman. 3. Fannie Estelle, born February 1, 1863; married Walter L. Monfort. 4.

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Albert DeWitt, born February 18, 1866, died September 29, 1884. 5. Esther Amelia, born January 21, 1868. 6. William Martin, born December 4, 1869; married Mary E. Lowe. 7. Nellie Winship, born April 28, 1871. 8. Jennie Band, born February 20, 1873; married Arthur R. Miller. 9. Blanche, born April 25, 1875; married William H. Van Every (see Van Every). 10. Mabel Mills, born July 25, 1877; married Richard L. Lisle.

(The Mills Line).

(I) Samuel Mills, pioneer ancestor of this family, is said to have come from Lancashire, England. He emigrated before 1640, and was working for Henry Waltham at Weymouth, Massachusetts, March 11, 1640. He deposed on that date that he was twenty-one years old, thus fixing the date of his birth as 1619 He settled in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a townsman, January 1, 1644-45, and a member of the Dedham church before 1646. He married (first) Frances Pimbrook, (second) Mary, who died October 30, 1694. He died January 16, 1695. Children: 1. Samuel, baptized March 29, 1646. 2. Benjamin, of whom further. 3. Elizabeth, born December 5, 1652. 4. Stephen, died December 3, 1653. 5. Sarah, born November 5, 1654. 6. Rebecca, born April 10, 1657.

(II) Benjamin Mills, son of Samuel Mills, was born at Dedham, Massachusetts, April 13, 1651. He married Mary, and settled in Dedham. He settled early in what was afterward set off as the town of Needham. The selectmen of Dedham licensed him to keep a tavern or ordinary near the lower falls, July 2, 1705. He was selectman of Needham in 1711-19; constable, 1711-12, tithingman, 1714; surveyor of highways in 1715; assessor in 1719. He was dismissed from the Dedham to the Needham church, March 6, 1719-20. He and his sons, Benjamin, William, and Zachariah, were among the petitioners for the incorporation of the town of Needham in 1710. Children: 1. Benjamin, born June 7, 1675. 2. Mary, born April 25, 1677. 3. Samuel, born March 7, 1678. 4. William. 5. Zachariah. 6. Isaac, of whom further. And others.

(III) Isaac Mills, son of Benjamin and Mary Mills, was born in Dedham, Massachusetts, January 9, 1699-1700. He married, in Newton, Massachusetts, October 24, 1722, Abigail Ward, daughter of Edward and Grace Ward. She was born in Newton, Massachusetts, January 22, 1698-99. Children: 1. Isaac, of whom further. 2. Amos, born June 29, 1732.

(IV) Isaac Mills, son of Isaac and Abigail (Ward) Mills, was born before 1730, and died after 1790. In 1790 he was of Marblehead, Essex county, Massachusetts, with his wife. No children were living with him at that date. He married (first), at Marblehead, Massachusetts, January 16, 1757, Susannah Thrashier, born April 22, 1733. He married (second), in 1772, Mary Dolliber, born in 1732-33. Child, Samuel, of whom further.

(V) Samuel Mills, son of Isaac and Susannah (Thrashier) Mills, was born in 1759, and died in Worcester, Massachusetts, February 3, 1839, aged eighty years. In 1790 he was of Marblehead, Massachusetts, with a family consisting of three persons. He removed to Worcester, where

he died. Many of this name served in the Revolution, and the isolation of an individual bearing it is rarely possible. He married, in Newton, Massachusetts, November 20, 1784, Elizabeth Hammond. (See Hammond V). Children: 1. Ephraim, removed to Burlington, Vermont. 2. Thomas, removed to Burlington, Vermont. 3. Isaac, of whom further. 4. Susannah.

(VI) Isaac Mills, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Hammond) Mills, was born in Brighton, Massachusetts, January 7, 1801, and died in Worcester, Massachusetts, May 8, 1883. He married, in Worcester, Massachusetts, about 1823, Sarah Johnson. (See Johnson VI). Children: 1. Andrew, born January 10, 1824. 2. Sarah Ann, born May 8, 1825. 3. Charles, born August 28, 1828. 4. Elizabeth Jane, born June 29, 1832. 5. Rodney Augustus, twin with Elizabeth Jane. 6. Isaac Martin, born July 31, 1837. 7. Esther Maria, born August 29, 1841; married Egbert Groom. (See Groom VI).

(The Hammond Line).

John Hammond lived in Melford, England, and there is little doubt that he was John Hammond, the fuller and cloth manufacturer, who is mentioned in the Melford records, and who was named as executor in the will of John Hammond, the elder, of Melford, dated August 4, 1517, proved April 22, 1528. He may have been the son of this John, although he is not mentioned as a son in the will John Hammond, the elder, was of the Lawshall family of Hammonds who trace their ancestry back to the year 1400. In any event he was undoubtedly a near relative, and without doubt a descendant of the John Hammond, of Lawshall, whose will was proved December 19, 1440, and who was born before 1400.

John Hammond, of Lavenham, was a son of John Hammond, the fuller, and was born about 1500. His will was dated December 22, 1550. He married Agnes, who died at Lavenham, January 6, 1576-77. Children: 1. William, of whom further. 2. Thomas, married Rose Tripp, and they were the parents of a son, William, who came to America. 3. Elizabeth. 4. Margaret, married a Jollye. 5. Joan.

William Hammond, son of John and Agnes Hammond, resided at Melford. He married Mary. They were the parents of a son, Thomas, of whom further.

(I) Thomas Hammond, son of William and Mary Hammond, was the immigrant ancestor of this branch of the family. He was baptized at Melford, County Suffolk, England, with his twin brother, John, September 2, 1603. He was one of the first settlers at Hingham, Massachusetts, and had land granted him there in 1636. He was a first cousin of William Hammond, who settled in Watertown, Massachusetts. He took the freeman's oath March 9, 1636-37. He was a member of the Grand Jury in 1637. With several others he removed to a site near the boundary line between what are now the towns of Newton and Brookline. He probably removed to Cambridge Village, now Newton, about 1650, but held lands in Hingham for some years after that date. His homestead in Newton was near the Brookline boundary, near a sheet of water which has since been called Hammond's pond. This homestead remained in the

family for many generations. Thomas Hammond was a large land owner, and one of the wealthiest men of the town in his day. He died in 1675, leaving an unsigned will which was admitted to probate, November 5, 1675.

Thomas Hammond married, in Lavenham, England, November 12, 1623, Elizabeth Cason, born in Great Welnetham, daughter of Robert and Prudence (Hammond) Cason, and granddaughter of Robert and Elizabeth Hammond, of Great Welnetham. It is said that a silver coin is still in the possession of descendants which was stamped by her when on a visit to the mint in England when she was a young girl. Children: 1. Thomas, of whom further. 2. Elizabeth, born about 1633-34. 3. Sarah, baptized September 13, 1640. 4. Nathaniel, baptized March 12, 1643.

(II) Thomas Hammond, son of Thomas Hammond, was born in England, in 1630, and died in Newton, Massachusetts, October 20, 1676. He was a resident of Newton, Massachusetts. He married, December 17, 1662, Elizabeth Stedman, who died October 29, 1715, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Stedman. Children: 1. Elizabeth, born November 3, 1664. 2. Thomas, born December 16, 1666. 3. Isaac, born December 20, 1668. 4. Sarah, twin with Isaac. 5. Nathaniel, born February 3, 1671. 6. John, born April 30, 1674. 7. Eleazer, of whom further.

(III) Eleazer Hammond, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Stedman) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, November 13, 1677, and died there November 16, 1760. He was a selectman of Newton, Massachusetts, in 1741. He married, April 29, 1703, Hannah Harrington, who was born August 9, 1682, and died February 14, 1775. She was the daughter of John and Hannah (Winter) Harrington. Children: 1. Hannah, born in 1704. 2. Eleazer, born October 1, 1705, died young. 3. Elizabeth, born January 12, 1707. 4. Eleazer, born May 26, 1711. 5. Abigail, born January 31, 1712-13. 6. Patience, born September 8, 1717. 7. Ephraim, of whom further. 8. Susanna, born in 1722. 9. Lydia, born February 5, 1726.

(IV) Ephraim Hammond, son of Eleazer and Hannah (Harrington) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, March 15, 1719-20, and died there April 21, 1775. He married, December 10, 1741, Martha Steele, who died June 21, 1771. Children: 1. Hannah, born August 8, 1742. 2. Martha, born December 9, 1743. 3. Ephraim, born December 31, 1745. 4. Samuel, born September 30, 1748. 5. Hannah, born September 20, 1749. 6. Edward, born September 20, 1752. 7. Henry, born July 27, 1757. 8. Elizabeth, of whom further. 9. Katherine. 10. Patience. 11. Thankful.

(V) Elizabeth Hammond, daughter of Ephraim and Martha (Steele) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, about 1760. She married, at Newton, November 20, 1784, Samuel Mills. (See Mills V).

(The Scidmore Line).

Scidmore-Skidmore Arms—Gules, three stirrups leathers and buckles or.
Crest—A unicorn's head erased sable, platee.

The surname Scidmore is derived from Norman-French *Escu d'amour*.

from which came the original family of Escudamour, or Scudmore. During the days of the early barons in England the family was noted for its excellent horsemanship and the superior breed of horses they possessed. Thomas Scidmore, the American founder, descended from a Norman ancestor, was one of the captains who came to England with William the Conqueror. The home of the English family was mostly in Herefordshire.

(I) Thomas Scidmore (or Skidmore or Scudamore) was born in Holme Lacy, Herefordshire, England, about 1600, and died in Fairfield, Connecticut, in 1684. He removed to Westerly, County Gloucester, England, and remained there until 1635. Then he joined the onward march of emigration to the New World, sailing with Governor John Winthrop, Jr., and his company for New England. He settled at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and in 1636 was engaged by Governor Winthrop to assist him in preparations for a plantation at Saybrook, Connecticut. In 1640 he sent for his wife and children, selling his place in Westerly, England, and in 1646 he removed to Connecticut (New London), later settling at Stratford. There he owned large tracts of land. Soon after 1660 he with several other Connecticut settlers founded the important settlement on Long Island which they called Huntington, and his name with seven others appears on the Huntington Patent given by Governor Nicholls, November 30, 1666. He was the first attorney of Suffolk county, Long Island, town clerk of Huntington, represented the town in the General Assembly in Connecticut in 1673, served in King Philip's War in 1676, was a craftsman and blacksmith, and in 1682 returned to Fairfield, Connecticut, where he died.

Thomas Scidmore married (first), in England, Ellen. He married (second) Joanna Baldwin, widow of Daniel Baldwin. He married (third) Sarah Treadwell , widow of Edward Treadwell. Children of first marriage: 1. Thomas. 2. Dorothy, married, in 1652, Hugh Griffin. 3. Jedediah. 4. John, of whom further. 5. Grace. 6. Joseph.

(II) John Scidmore, son of Thomas and Ellen Scidmore, was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 11, 1643, and died in Jamaica, Long Island, before July 9, 1680. He removed to Stratford, Connecticut, and later to Jamaica, Long Island, where he was one of the original proprietors. He was also clerk of the first church at Jamaica. He married, in 1663, Susannah. Children: 1. John, of whom further. 2. Samuel. 3. Thomas. 4. Joseph. 5. Abigail.

(III) John Scidmore, son of John and Susannah Scidmore, was born in 1664, and died January 22, 1740-41. He lived in Huntington, Long Island, and was a prosperous settler. He bought large tracts of land near Smithtown, Long Island, which he gave to his sons. He married Sarah (probably Smith). Children: 1. Joseph, died in 1763. 2. John, of whom further. 3. Thomas. 4. Abigail, married a Smith. 5. Temperance.

(IV) John Scidmore, son of John and Sarah (Smith) Scidmore, died in Smithtown, Long Island. His will was made April 24, 1758, and was proved February 17, 1762. He lived on the western border of Smithtown, Long Island, and owned large tracts of land. He married Susannah.

Children: 1. Abigail. 2. Susannah, married, in 1754, James Bishop. 3. John, of whom further. 4. Samuel. 5. Zophar, removed to New Jersey.

(V) John Scidmore, son of John and Susannah Scidmore, was born in Smithtown, Long Island, before 1740. He removed from Smithtown to Nine Partners, Dutchess county, New York, in 1768, and later before 1784 to Saratoga, Sartoga county, New York. In 1790 he was of Saratoga, New York, having one son over sixteen years of age, and two under sixteen, and three daughters. He married and had the following children: 1. Solomon, of whom further. 2. Abner, born before 1760; served in the Revolutionary War; lived in Saratoga and married in 1790; later was of Stillwater, New York, and had child, Abner, born in 1781 and grandsons John, Solomon, Benjamin and Abner. 3. John, born before 1760; served in the Revolution and in 1789 was of Stillwater, New York. 4. Isaac (probably).

(VI) Solomon Scidmore, son of John Scidmore, was born in Smithtown, Long Island, before 1760, and died in Stillwater, New York, in 1791. He lived at Stillwater, New York, in 1789, when he was on the tax list there with John Scidmore, his brother. He served as a private, later as a corporal in Captain Woodworth's company, Colonel Van Vechten's regiment, New York Militia, as did his brothers, Abner and John. He married Mary Mosher, probably daughter of Hugh Mosher. (See Mosher VI). Children: 1. James, of whom further. 2. Vina.

(VII) James Scidmore, son of Solomon and Mary (Mosher) Scidmore, died about 1838. He married Nancy Halstead, who was born about 1785, and died in Waterford, New York, January 18, 1846, daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth (Young) Halstead. Children of James and Nancy (Halstead) Scidmore: 1. Josiah. 2. Solomon. 3. Samuel. 4. Benjamin. 5. James 6. De Witt Clinton. 7. Vina, married Thomas Vandeker. 8. Betsey, of whom further. 9. Joel.

Benjamin Halstead, great-grandfather of Nancy (Halstead) Scidmore, was of Fishkill, Dutchess county, New York. He married, and among his children was Josiah, who was born in Dutchess county, New York, in 1755, and died in Ancram, Columbia county, New York, in 1835. Josiah Halstead was of Fishkill, New York, and later, in 1790, of Northeast, New York. He married, in 1779, Elizabeth Young, born in 1760, and died April 14, 1845. Their children were: Benjamin, born in 1780, died June 28, 1815; Joseph; John D., born in 1782, died October 3, 1809; probably Nancy, who married James Scidmore.

(VIII) Betsey Scidmore, daughter of James and Nancy (Halstead) Scidmore, was born about 1810, and died in 1845. She married, before 1836, Richard Groome. (See Groome V.)

(The Hayford Line).

Arms—Argent, a chevron sable between three bucks springing (or trippant) gules. *Crest*—Out of a ducal coronet two branches in orle, all proper.

The usual spelling of the name in England is Heyford. H. Harrison, in his "Surnames of the United Kingdom," says it is from hay, "a hedge or hedged-in field," and "ford." A Heyforde was Lord Mayor of London in 1477. The family name is derived from a parish or an estate. Lower

and Upper Heyford are parishes in Oxfordshire, from which Peter de Heyford, Fellow of Oxford New College, 1412, and rector of Heyford Church, 1420 to 1446, derived his name. About 1154 Huge de Hayford had a knight's fee in Hayford and Harleston, Northamptonshire, but this estate later passed to the Lumleys.

(I) John Hayford, or Heiford, was born in London, England, and died in Braintree, Massachusetts, before 1709. He was a witness to Gregory Belcher's deed of land in Braintree, Massachusetts, February 21, 1667-68, and Otis Hayford, in his "History of the Hayford Family," expresses the belief that he was the John Hayford on record in St. Thomas' Church, London, with Barbara his wife, in birth record of son William, February 11, 1661. In Samuel Sewall's diary of his visit to London is found, under date of April 3, 1688, "See the orchard John Hayford has planted," and in the same diary, recorded on page 252 of Vol. V, "Massachusetts Historical Collection," Sewall writes, "Sent John Heiford's and Mr. Taylor's letters."

John Hayford married April 8, 1679, Abigail Albins, of Braintree, Massachusetts. Children: 1. Abigail, born January 26, 1680; married, July 24, 1711, Thomas Washburn. 2. John, born February 24, 1681, died before 1724; married, July 3, 1706, at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, Lydia Pierce. 3. Samuel, to whom, with Edward Hayford, 1717, Thomas Washburn, brother-in-law of Edward, sold land. 4. Edward, born May 22, 1685; married (first), 1709, Ruth Bryant; married (second) Mary. 5. Benjamin, born in Duxbury, Massachusetts; married, 1726, Mary, and has six children. 6. Daniel, of whom further. 7. Thomas, born in Duxbury; married, September 23, 1734, Susannah Parry.

(II) Daniel Hayford, son of John and Abigail (Albins) Hayford, was born in Duxbury, Massachusetts, about 1690, and died in Pembroke, December 11, 1764. His will, entered in court in 1765, names wife Deliverance and four sons. He was admitted to the First Congregational Church, Pembroke, July 6, 1729, and was deacon in 1746. He bought and sold much real estate in Pembroke. He married (first), February 7, 1723, Anne Webster. He married (second), May 24, 1733, Deliverance Boles. To the first marriage was born one child: 1. Daniel, Jr., born March 12, 1725, died at Tamworth, New Hampshire, 1813; married, February 7, 1751, Priscilla Faxon, of Braintree. Children of second marriage: 2. Samuel, of whom further. 3. Webster, born November 3, 1736; went to Canada soon after 1766, whence his sons removed to New York; he married, January 17, 1760, Mary Bonney, and had three sons and two daughters. 4. William, born May 5, 1740, died at Hartford, Maine, October 12, 1801; married, March 11, 1762, Betty Bonney.

(III) Samuel Hayford, son of Daniel and Deliverance (Boles) Hayford, was born August 8, 1734, and died in Hardwick, Massachusetts, in 1783. He served in the Revolutionary War, enlisting from Greenwich (some papers give Hardwick) Massachusetts, for three months and twelve days, as a private, in Captain Samuel Kilton's company, Twenty-sixth Regiment, Colonel John Patterson commanding, April 26, 1775; muster roll dated August 1, 1775; order for bounty dated Charlestown, October 27, 1775. He married (first), in 1754, Rebecca Freeman Water-

man. She died August 9, 1768. He married (second), November 26, 1768, Diadema Bishop. He married (third), March 1, 1776, Bathsheba Tinkham, of Halifax. "Bathsheba Hayford, widow," published May 3, 1783, intention of marriage with Samuel Work. Children of first marriage: 1. Deliverance, baptized November 24, 1754, died March 14, 1758. 2. Abigail, born January 18, 1756. 3. Anne, born June 3, 1759. 4. Mary (town records Mercy) Freeman, born November 14, 1762. 5. Rebecca, born September 9, 1764. 6. Molly Waterman, born June 5, 1768, died November 13, 1768. Of the second marriage the only child of whom record has been found was: Chloe, of whom further.

(IV) Chloe Hayford, daughter of Samuel and Diadema (Bishop) Hayford, was born at Hardwick, Massachusetts, in 1774, and died at Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1859. She married Gardner Johnson, son of Samuel and Mary Spence Johnson, of Worcester, Massachusetts. (See Johnson VI.)

(The Johnson Line).

Arms—Quarterly, per fesse indented sable and or, in the first quarter a pelican, vulning herself, of the second.

Johnson as a family name, with a varied orthography, is found in many of the European nations, and is numerous among the Scandanavians as well as among the English, Irish, Scotch, and Germans It is derived from the early use of the father's given name with the possessive, to designate the son, Henry son of John, being "Henry, John's son," and later, after the adoption of surnames "Henry Johnson" Bardsley, in his work entitled "English Surnames," states that the first syllable of the name was originally pronounced and spelled "Jone." The Johnsons, of Ayscough-Fee, County Lincoln, claim descent from the house of Fitz-John, of Normandy. The parish registers of County Kent contain numerous records of the Johnson family. From these we learn that John Johnson, of the Isle of Thanet, County Kent, married Sybil Crooche. Paul Johnson, of Fordwick, County Kent, married Margaret Heyman, daughter of Peter Heyman, Esquire, and they were the parents of twelve children, among whom were eight sons: John, Peter, Paul, Barnard, Charles, Silas, Timothy, and Henry.

John Johnson, son of Paul and Margaret (Heyman) Johnson, was a resident of Nethercourt, County Kent. He married Judith Sprackling, daughter of Sir Adam Sprackling, of Ellington, and they were the parents of eight children, among whom were three sons: John, born in 1599; Henry; and Adam. A John Johnson, of County Kent, died in 1467. In 1552 George Johnson was rector of the church at Snargate, County Kent.

Tradition relates that the ancestors of Solomon Johnson, progenitor of the branch of the family here traced, came from Hernhill, County Kent, England. The parish and village of Hernhill are located in the northern section of Kent, not far from Nethercourt, the seat of the Johnsons of the English pedigree.

(I) Solomon Johnson was born in England, and died in Marlborough, Massachusetts. in June. 1687. In 1639 he was a resident of Sudbury,

Massachusetts, of which town he was one of the original proprietors, having received twenty-eight acres in the first, second and third divisions of land. He was a freeman in 1645. In 1651 he was of Watertown, Massachusetts, where he was a tailor. In 1658 he received a one hundred and thirty-acre grant in Sudbury. This grant he deeded to his son Solomon. He was an original proprietor of Marlborough, Massachusetts, and prominent in local public affairs, serving as selectman of Marlborough in 1661-65, and as constable in 1663-64. He married Eleanor, and they were the parents of seven children: 1. Solomon, of whom further. 2. John, who was born about 1629. 3. Joseph, born February 3, 1639. 4. Nathaniel, twin of Joseph, born February 3, 1639. 5. Johannah, born February 16, 1641. 6. Mary, born February 23, 1643. 7. Caleb, born February 1, 1645.

(II) Solomon Johnson, son of Solomon and Eleanor Johnson, was born about 1626, and died in Sudbury, Massachusetts, August 26, 1690. He was an early proprietor of Lancaster, Massachusetts. In 1658 he exchanged his Lancaster land for one hundred and forty acres in Sudbury, Massachusetts. He married (first) Hannah. He married (second), February 1, 1686-87, Hannah Crefts (probably Croft) "of Natomy," (Watertown). Children of first marriage were: 1. Samuel, born March 6, 1654. 2. Hannah, born April 27, 1656. 3. Caleb, of whom further.

(III) Caleb Johnson, son of Solomon and Hannah Johnson, was born in Sudbury, Massachusetts, October 31, 1658, and died there, December 1, 1715. He owned land in Sudbury and in Framingham, Massachusetts, and he was a wheelwright by trade. He married, July 9, 1684, Agnes Bent, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Bent. Their children were: 1. Hannah, born May 5, 1685. 2. Caleb, born September 18, 1687. 3. Solomon, of whom further. 4. Charles, born December 20, 1693. 5. Elizabeth. 6. Thankful, born February 7, 1705-06.

(IV) Solomon Johnson, son of Caleb and Agnes (Bent) Johnson, was born November 2, 1690, and died in Worcester, Massachusetts, January 9, 1782. He received as his share of his father's estate fifty-six acres of land at Sudbury, Massachusetts. For a time he lived at Framingham, Massachusetts. In 1731 he bought one hundred acres of land in Worcester (called Tatnuck), and in 1744 he purchased sixty additional acres of land adjoining this tract. He married, at Sudbury, Massachusetts, June 6, 1716, Abigail Goodenow, daughter of John Goodenow, and they became the parents of the following children: 1. Hepsebath, born October 12, 1717. 2. John, born October 17, 1718. 3. Solomon, baptized October 3, 1720. 4. Peter, baptized July 7, 1723. 5. Daniel, baptized August 1, 1725. 6. Micajah, baptized August 27, 1727. 7. Abigail, born July 26, 1731, died 1744. 8. Joshua, born April 1, 1734. 9. Beulah, born February 2, 1736. 10. Samuel, of whom further.

(V) Samuel Johnson, son of Solomon and Abigail (Goodenow) Johnson, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, August 21, 1738, and died in 1789. In 1768 he received twenty acres of his father's estate in Tatnuck (Worcester), Worcester county, Massachusetts. He married, August 14, 1760, Mary Spence, who died September 7, 1820. Their children were: 1. William, born about 1761, died January 21, 1842; he mar-

ried, and had children: Roxanna, William, Luther, Gardner, Mary, Anson, Harriet, Turall, Susannah, Elizabeth, and Samuel. 2. Samuel, born about 1763, died at Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1806; he married Elizabeth Stearns. 3. Elizabeth. 4. Gardner, of whom further. 5. Sarah, who married Joel Hayden.

(VI) Gardner Johnson, son of Samuel and Mary (Spence) Johnson, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, about 1770, and died there August 26, 1853. He resided on Winter Hill, Worcester, Massachusetts. He married Chloe Hayford. (See Hayford IV.) Their children were: 1. Esther, died unmarried. 2. Samuel, died unmarried. 3. Gardner, married, May 7, 1812, Phoebe Willard. 4. Chloe, married a Sprague. 5. Mary, married a Ball. 6. Sarah, born about 1802-03; married, June 15, 1823, Isaac Mills. (See Mills VI.) 7. Bathsheba, died unmarried.

(The Mosher Line).

Arms—Azure, on a chevron between three hawks close argent belled and jessed or, as many talbots' heads erased sable collared of the third.
Crest—A demi-horse rampant erminois bridled or.

The earliest traditions of the Mosher family locate them in Alsace, Northeast France, about 1580. The name implies German origin, for it is compounded of two German words "mos" and "herr," which combined mean "Lord of the Moss," from the circumstance that the founder of the family, being a man of wealth and prominence, had his residence upon a mossy hill. After Alsace was annexed to France both the French and German languages were spoken there. The French spelling of the name was Mosier or Motier. In England the original German form was generally used, "Mosher." In religion the family were Protestants, and with others fled from France to England to escape persecution. It is supposed that the family went to England under the leadership of Hugh Mosher, and that the emigration took place about 1600. They located in Manchester, Chester, and London.

In 1616 William Mosher was appointed by-law man (or road-overseer) in Manchester. He was in 1614 a silkweaver, in 1619 "gentleman." In his will of 1620 he calls himself "merchant." He had four brothers, John, Thomas, Stephen, and George. Three of them were his business partners, and these three, John, Thomas, and Stephen, each had a son Hugh. Hugh Mosher, son of John Mosher, went to London, became a member of the East India Company, and went to Calcutta where he acquired great wealth. He returned to England, was created a baron, and died without issue. It is his fortune that the American Moshers have endeavored, without success, to obtain. It long ago reverted to the Crown. Another Hugh Mosher, son of Thomas Mosher, cousin of Baron Hugh Mosher, came to America in 1630, and settled at Casco Bay, Maine, and was the ancestor of the Maine Moshers.

(I) Hugh Mosher, son of Stephen Mosher, and cousin to first and second Hugh Mosher, was of Manchester, England. He sailed for America in 1636, and located first at Salem, Massachusetts, where he became a friend of Roger Williams. In October, 1636, when Roger Williams was banished from Massachusetts, Hugh Mosher went with him

to Rhode Island. In 1676, as a token of his appreciation, Roger Williams secured for Hugh Mosher one-fifth part of the township of Westerly, Rhode Island, in 1676. In 1669 Hugh Mosher was appointed ensign of a military company, and he took part in King Philip's War. In 1674 he became a Baptist minister, and in that year he was ordained pastor of the church at Dartmouth, Massachusetts, which town is situated in the southern part of Massachusetts, near the Rhode Island boundary line. He died at Newport, Rhode Island, in 1694. He married Lydia Maxon. Children: 1. Hugh, of whom further. 2. John. 3. Nicholas. 4. Joseph. 5. Daniel. 6. James.

(II) Hugh Mosher, son of Hugh and Lydia (Maxon) Mosher, was born in England, in 1633, and died in Providence, Rhode Island, in 1713. He married Rebecca Harndell, daughter of John and Sarah Harndell. Children: 1. Nicholas, of whom further. 2. John, born 1668. 3. Joseph, born 1670. 4. James, born 1675. 5. Rebecca, born 1677. 6. Daniel, born 1678. 7. Mary, born 1679.

(III) Nicholas Mosher, son of Hugh and Rebecca (Harndell) Mosher, was born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, in 1666, and died there August 14, 1747. He married, August 14, 1687, Elizabeth, who died in 1747. Children: 1. Hugh, of whom further. 2. Joseph, born April 7, 1692. 3. Mary, born December 16, 1695; married an Allen. 4. Elizabeth, born April 16, 1697; married a Tripp. 5. Thomas, born February 26, 1699. 6. Nicholas, born January 17, 1703. 7. Mercy, born July 6, 1705; married a Shrieve. 8. Rebecca, born March 20, 1708; married a Wilcox. 9. Ephraim, born March 5, 1710. 10. Margaret, born January 17, 1713; married a Taber.

(IV) Hugh Mosher, son of Nicholas and Elizabeth Mosher, was born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, November 16, 1690, and died in Dutchess county, New York, before 1759. He removed to Dutchess county, New York, where he was living at the time of his death. His widow, Sarah (Devol) Mosher, is mentioned in her father's will. He married, at Dartmouth, Massachusetts, April 25, 1717, Sarah Devol, daughter of Christopher Devol, of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, and of Dutchess county, New York. His children are all said to have settled in New York State. Among these children were, probably: 1. Hugh, of whom further. 2. Samuel, of Providence, Saratoga county, New York. 3. Joseph, of Half Moon, Dutchess county, New York. 4. Thomas, of Half Moon, Dutchess county, New York. 5. Tripp, of Nine Partners, Dutchess county, New York.

(V) Hugh Mosher, probably son of Hugh and Sarah (Devol) Mosher, of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, and of New York State, was born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts. In 1790 he was of Stephentown, Rensselaer county, New York, with one son over sixteen years of age, one under sixteen, and two daughters. He later removed to Saratoga county, New York. Among his children was, probably, Mary, of whom further.

(VI) Mary Mosher, probably daughter of Hugh Mosher, was born about 1761. She married Solomon Scidmore. (See Scidmore VI.)

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THOMAS A. KNICKERBACKER—On the opposite page is shown a portrait of the late Thomas Adams Knickerbacker, of Troy, New York. Few of the prominent business men of Troy have been better known or more highly esteemed than he. Mr. Knickerbacker was a descendant of the family of that name which settled in Albany early in the seventeenth century. Born in Waterford, New York, March 2, 1838, son of John and Caroline (Chester) Knickerbacker, (the latter a native of Hartford, Connecticut), he was on the maternal side of pioneer New England stock. Thus from sturdy Dutch and stalwart English forebears he inherited qualities which enabled him to achieve a notably successful and honorable career.

His great-great-grandfather, Johannes Knickerbacker, was born in Albany, New York, March 16, 1679, and moved in 1709 to the vicinity of Schaghticoke, which was then on the frontier. His uncle, Hon. Herman Knickerbacker, sometimes called the Prince of Schaghticoke, member of Congress, 1809-1811, was a friend of Washington Irving, who referred to him as "Cousin german" of the pseudonymous author of his Knickerbocker's History of New York. It is interesting to note that in the first volume of "The Knickerbocker, or New York Monthly Magazine," of date 1832, the name is spelled "Knickerbacker."

His father, John Knickerbacker, son of Colonel John Knickerbacker, of the town of Schaghticoke, was born December 7, 1784. He was one of the incorporators of the Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad Company, running from Troy to Saratoga Springs, and was a director of the company for over thirty years, up to the time of his death, October 17, 1862. In 1830 he was one of the incorporators of the Saratoga County Bank, of which he was president. He was one of the incorporators of the Bank of West Troy, and a member of the board of directors. The Bank of West Troy commenced business, May 1, 1852.

At the age of fourteen, his son, Thomas A. Knickerbacker, entered the employ of the Bank of West Troy, which in the course of time has become the National Bank of Watervliet, and for sixty-five years he steadily worked for the advancement of its interests, rising to the posi-

tion of chief executive. Shortly after his resignation as president, he laid the corner stone of the new bank building at the junction of Broadway and Nineteenth street, Watervliet, New York, formerly known as West Troy.

This long connection with the National Bank of Watervliet, however, represents only a part of Mr. Knickerbacker's business activities. He was president of the old Troy and Albia Horse Railroad Company, which was subsequently purchased from him as the basis for the consolidation of the railway system of Troy into the Troy City Railway Company, which company was later absorbed by the United Traction Company. When the use of electricity for the operation of street cars became a possibility, Mr. Knickerbacker, in association with a group of business men from Albany, organized a company and acquired the Watervliet Turnpike and Railroad Company, which then operated street cars between Albany and West Troy. He was also one of the incorporators of the Waterford and Cohoes Railroad Company. He was for many years president of the West Troy Gas Company prior to its purchase by the Municipal Gas Company of Albany. For many years also he was a member of the board of directors of the Maryland Coal Company of Virginia, and later he became director of the Maryland Coal Company of West Virginia. In the early eighties he became one of the directors of the United States Electric Light Company of Washington, District of Columbia.

In following Mr. Knickerbacker through his various enterprises and activities, special mention must be made of him as one of the pioneers in the valve and hydrant business of the country. In 1875 he and others associated with him purchased from George W. Eddy the manufacturing plant at Waterford, New York, where Mr. Eddy made the straight way gate valve invented by him. The plant was erected by Mr. Eddy in 1849. When purchased by Mr. Knickerbacker and his associates, it seemed to them that an appropriate name for incorporation would be "The Mohawk and Hudson Manufacturing Company," as the plant was situated near the place where the Mohawk river flows into the Hudson river. At the expiration of the charter period, the business was incorporated as the Eddy Valve Company. Mr. Knickerbacker, during his connection with the company for a period of over forty-seven years, as secretary and treasurer, saw the plant grow from one of small size to a large manufacturing concern, known throughout the United States.

But every great captain of industry has some distinguishing line of activity which easily fastens itself in the minds of men and stirs their imagination. Mr. Knickerbacker was perhaps most widely and popularly known in connection with the bridges which span the Hudson river at Troy. He was the president of the Union Bridge Company of Waterford, whose original charter was granted by the State in 1803; and when the old picturesque wooden bridge was destroyed by fire in 1909, he immediately began the work of erecting the present steel structure. The frame enclosing the picture shown of Mr. Knickerbacker was made from a piece of the old timber taken from the wooden bridge. He organized

and was president of the Cohoes and Lansingburgh Bridge Company which built and owned the bridge, opened in May, 1880, at the foot of the present 112th street, Troy, New York. With a number of associates he organized the Troy and West Troy Bridge Company, April 23, 1872, to construct a bridge across the Hudson river between the city of Troy, at the foot of Congress street, and what is now the city of Watervliet. He was a director of this company at the time of his death.

Mr. Knickerbacker was a man of commanding presence and marked personality. He was genial, companionable, sympathetic, and generous—a winner of friends. His sound business principles, his desire to give a "square deal," his straightforward and unmistakable sincerity, impressed all who came in contact with him. Though extremely serious in his application to business and devotion to hard work, there nevertheless ran through him a vein of sportsmanship, in the clean, old-fashioned sense of the word. He was fond of horses and belonged to the Park Club, the members of which used to drive their steeds on the avenue in Lansingburgh, now a part of Troy, and known as Fifth avenue. He was a charter member of the old Troy Club, and was at one time vice-president of the Holland Society for Rensselaer county. He was, withal, of an artistic temperament and loved objects of art, of which he was a collector. As the years went on his home became a veritable museum of beautiful paintings, engravings, statuary, bronzes, and interesting and valuable curios.

On June 25, 1862, Mr. Knickerbacker was married to Helen L. Jones, daughter of Ebenezer Backus and Lucy A. (Judd) Jones, of Penn Yan, New York, and on June 25, 1922, was celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his marriage. There were living at that time his wife, Mrs. Helen L. Knickerbacker; his son, John Knickerbacker; his daughter, Caroline Chester Porter; her two daughters, Helen L. K. Porter and Caroline Knickerbacker Curtis; and two great-grandchildren, Thomas Knickerbacker Curtis and Nathan Todd Porter Curtis. He died on the following eighth of November, and was buried on Armistice Day amid the flags which symbolized the recompense of peace and rest which he had earned.

HON. MICHAEL F. COLLINS, as editor and publisher of the Troy "Observer" and former Senator of New York State, is looked upon as a very useful citizen by the community in which he lives. The honors conferred upon him by his fellow citizens and the success attained as publicist, are the result of a well trained mind and an intelligent application of business principles.

Michael F. Collins, is a son of Patrick and Alice (Cullen) Collins, and was born at Troy, New York, on September 27, 1854. He began his education in the primary grade of the old Third Ward Public School in his native city, and at the age of fifteen he commenced as a type-setter, learning the printer's trade, and fifteen years later, when a strike was declared among the printers, became stockholder and city editor of the Troy "Evening Standard," a paper published by the striking printers. On October 3, 1878, he resigned from the "Standard" and purchased the

Troy "Observer," a paper still owned and operated by him. Mr. Collins has always been a loyal supporter of the Democratic party, and though holding no office at the present time, is still active in party councils. In 1882 he was a delegate to the New York State Democratic Convention and assisted in nominating Grover Cleveland for governor. He was an alternate to the National Democratic Convention in 1884, when Grover Cleveland was nominated for President. In 1885-6 he was elected to the State Assembly, and in 1887 to the State Senate, carrying Washington and Rensselaer counties by large pluralities, and was reëlected State Senator in 1889. Both of these counties are normally strongly Republican. He was a candidate for Congress in the Rensselaer-Washington district in 1890, but failed of election. In 1891, owing to the division in the Democratic party he was defeated for State Senator. In 1893 Rensselaer and Columbia districts were combined, and Mr. Collins was nominated for State Senator in the district and elected by a large plurality. In 1916 he was nominated for Congress in the Albany-Rensselaer congressional district, but was defeated. He is a member of the Troy Typographical Union, New York State Democratic Editors' Association; Hudson Valley Democratic Editor's Association; the National Publisher's Association, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. After years of continued application to business, he now devotes some of his time to rest and recreation in the home he owns in the Adirondack mountains.

Mr. Collins married, December 20, 1880, at Troy, New York, Carolyn Elizabeth Sullivan, and they were the parents of eight children, of whom seven are still living: Carolyn Alice, educated in the public schools and Emma Willard School, of Troy, and who became the wife of George E. Armstrong, of Albany, New York; Francis M., educated in the public schools, married Elizabeth Bohrer, and they have three children: Robert, Francis and Carolyn; J. Edward, educated in public schools and Troy Academy and now engaged in the newspaper business with his father; Daniel, died when three years old; Katherine, a graduate of Troy High School, and wife of C. Arthur Wales, who have three children: C. Arthur, Phillip Collins, and Caroline; Helen, educated in public and Emma Willard schools; Marie, a graduate of Troy High School; Eugene R., a graduate of high school, in business with his father. During the World War Eugene R. was in France with the 27th Division, United States Army, and received special citation, No. 86, for conspicuous bravery at St. Souplet, October 16 to 18, 1918, as a dispatch rider.

ELEAZER ADORNO (E. ADORNO) PECK—The Peck family have long been prominent in the city of Troy, New York, men of note in both business and professional life of the city, bearing the name that has come down through many centuries in England and from earliest Colonial days in New England. E. Adorno (named for his grandfather Peck) a present day representative, is a lawyer of high standing at the bar of Rensselaer county, although since 1906 he has given himself to the service of the city of Troy, in the comptroller's office. He is of the ninth

American generation of the family founded in New England by William Peck. His maternal ancestor, Christopher Avery, was also of the earliest Coloniel times in New England, his son, Captain James Avery, being the founder of the Avery family in Connecticut.

The Peck family is one of great antiquity, founded in England at an early date and thence spreading all over the world. The English family bore arms:

Arms—Argent on a chevron engrailed gules three crosses formée of the field.
Crest—A cubit arm erect habited azure, cuff argent, hand proper holding one stalk enfiled with a scroll three roses gules leaved vert.

(I) The American ancestor of E. Adorno Peck was William Peck, born in or near the city of London, England, in 1601, and there married, about 1622, having one son, Jeremiah, born in England. William Peck with wife, Elizabeth, and their son came from London, England, to New England in company with Governor Eaton, Rev. John Davenport, and others, in the ship "Hector," arriving in Boston, June 26, 1637. William Peck became one of the original proprietors of New Haven, Connecticut, his autograph signature being affixed to the Constitution, dated June 4, 1639. He was admitted a freeman of the colony October 20, 1640, and is usually named in the records as "Mr.", then a prefix of both respect and distinction. He was a merchant, trustee and treasurer, and general business agent of the Colony Collegiate School, established on the basis of the Hopkin's fund. From 1659 until his death he was a deacon of the church in New Haven. His house lot of about one acre, his house, and his store were on Church street, the Connecticut Savings Bank now covering the front of that lot. He lived to nonagenarian distinction, passing away October 4, 1694, aged ninety-three. His first wife, Elizabeth, the mother of his children, died December 5, 1683. He married (second) Sarah, widow of William Holt. Four children were born to William and Elizabeth Peck, descent being traced through Joseph, the youngest son and third child.

(II) Joseph Peck, son of William and Elizabeth Peck, was born in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1641, died there in 1718. He settled in East Saybrook, Connecticut, (later Lyme) where he was surveyor, recorder, justice of the peace and a deacon of the church. His wife, Sarah, born in 1636, died in 1726. They were married in 1662 and lived in Lyme, where all their children were born.

(III) Samuel Peck, son of Joseph and Sarah Peck, was born in Lyme, New London county, Connecticut, in 1678, died in 1734-5. He married, in 1699, Elizabeth Lee, who died in 1731, and they were the parents of nine children.

(IV) Samuel Peck, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Lee) Peck, was born in Lyme, Connecticut, in 1707. He married, in 1728, Alice Way.

(V) Daniel Peck, son of Samuel and Alice (Way) Peck, was born in Lyme, Connecticut, in 1742, died in Hadlyme, Connecticut, in 1802. He married, at Preston, Connecticut, in 1754, Jerusha Amy Yerrington, born in 1737, died in Hadlyme in 1818.

(VI) Dr. Daniel Peck, son of Daniel and Jerusha Amy (Yerrington)

Peck, was born in Lyme, Connecticut, in 1769, died in 1828. He married Persis Ladd, born in 1775, died in Perrysburg, Ohio, in 1854, and they were the parents of ten children.

(VII) Eleazer Adorno Peck, son of Dr. Daniel and Persis (Ladd) Peck, was born in Stafford, Connecticut, in 1815, died in Troy, New York, in 1887. He was for many years engaged in the insurance business in Troy, as a member of the firm Peck & Hillman. He married, in 1839, Lucy Elizabeth Wildman, born in Danbury, Connecticut, in 1818, died in Troy, New York, in 1895. They were the parents of three children: Alfred G., William E., and Elizabeth, who married Amasa R. Moore; all these children deceased.

(VIII) Alfred G. Peck, son of Eleazer Adorno and Lucy Elizabeth (Wildman) Peck, was a manufacturer of edge tools at Cohoes, New York, and long was a trustee of Lansingburg, New York, schools. He married Charlotte Avery, a daughter of Lyman R. Avery, of Troy, of ancient Colonial family.

The Averys of New London county, Connecticut, early known as "the Groton Averys," were descendants of Christopher Avery, born in England, about 1590, a weaver by trade, who appeared early in the records of Gloucester, Massachusetts, where he served as selectman in 1646, 1652 and 1654. In 1658 he moved to Boston, but later he joined his son, Captain James Avery, in New London, Connecticut, where he purchased a house in 1666, and was made a freeman of Connecticut Colony in 1669. He died March 12, 1670. His wife did not accompany him to New England.

Captain James Avery, the only child of Christopher Avery, was born in England, in 1620, and came to New England with his father, and for several years was a resident of Gloucester, Massachusetts. He acquired large land holdings at what was later Pequonnock Bridge, east of New London, Connecticut, and is believed to have been the ancestor of all "the Groton Averys." In 1656 he built the "Hive of the Averys," at the head of Pequonnock, in the town of Groton, a mile and a half from the river Thames. In the fight with Narragansett Indians, December 19, 1695, he commanded the Pequot allies and for twenty years was a selectman of Groton, dating from 1660. He was twelve times elected to the General Court from 1658 until 1680, and was prominent in the church. He died April 18, 1700. Captain James Avery married, November 10, 1643, Joana Greenslade, born about 1622, died after 1693. He married (second) Mrs. Abigail (Ingraham) Cheesebrough.

Lieutenant James Avery, son of Captain James Avery and his first wife, Joana Greenslade, was born in Gloucester, Massachusetts, December 16, 1646, died in Groton, New London county, Connecticut, August 22, 1748. Like his father he was an important figure in town and church affairs, being in full church communion, a lieutenant in the Colonial forces during the Indian Wars, and was six times elected deputy to the General Court. He and his wife joined the First Church in New London in 1672, and their names head the list of those who were in full communion in the Church of Christ, in Groton, in the old church record

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begun by John Owen in 1727. He married, February 8, 1669, Deborah Stallyon, who died March 27, 1729. Their thirteen children were all born in New London (afterward Groton) including a daughter, Margaret, their third child.

Through Margaret Avery, born about 1675, the line continues to Alfred G. Peck, who married Charlotte Avery, daughter of Lyman R. Avery, of Troy, a descendant of Christopher, Captain James, and Lieutenant James Avery.

(IX) E. Adorno Peck, son of Alfred G. and Charlotte (Avery) Peck, was born in Lansingburg, New York, May 14, 1874, and there completed grammar school courses. He then entered Troy High School, finishing with the class of 1893, and in 1908 entered Albany Law School, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1910. He was admitted to the Rensselaer county bar the same year and opened offices at No. 18 State street, Troy, and there continues the general practice of his profession. Since 1906 he has also been connected with the city government as clerk in the comptroller's office, his present position finance clerk (October, 1923). On August 1, 1923, he was elected secretary of the Pioneer Building, Loan and Savings Association, of Troy, succeeding Elmer E. Stanton, deceased.

Mr. Peck is a past master of Jerusalem Lodge, No. 355, Free and Accepted Masons, (elected in 1920); and is affiliated with Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and holds the thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a past grand of Diamond Rock Lodge, No. 554, Independent Order of Odd Fellows (elected in July, 1923); his clubs the Masonic and Republican. In church relation he is affiliated with Westminster Presbyterian, which he has served as an elder since 1899, as clerk of the session since 1900, and is one of the superintendents of the Sunday school.

Mr. Peck married, on June 12, 1901, S. Edna Herrick, of Troy, daughter of John and Georgianna (Duntz) Herrick, her parents both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Peck are the parents of three children: Marion E., Lois, and Barbara.

P. HUNTLEY AUSTIN, M. D., a graduate of Albany Medical College, is now established as a general practitioner of medicine at Castleton, New York. He was born at Warrensburg, Warren county, New York, April 16, 1891, son of Douglas and Jennie (Nichols) Austin. His grandfather was Gardner Austin, one of the pioneers of New York State, now deceased. The owner and proprietor of a large farm in Warren county, Dr. Austin's father carries on the business of cultivating his land, raising cattle and sheep for the market, and conducting a dairy.

Growing up as he did in the healthful surroundings of his father's country home, Dr. Austin was entered as a pupil of the nearest district school. He had all the advantages that come to a pupil who is so placed, and after completing the grammar grades, he entered the Warrensburg

High School well prepared to spend the four years of the prescribed course to good advantage. He was graduated from the high school in due course and proceeded as an accredited scholar to Albany Medical College, at Albany, New York. In undertaking the study of medicine, Dr. Austin was following a plan that had been decided upon long before. His interest in medical science had manifested itself at an early age and he had never given a thought to any other occupation or profession. His parents, who were determined that he should have an opportunity to enter his chosen field, gave him every assistance within their power. He was graduated from Albany Medical College in 1915, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. In his final examinations, he had won an internship at St. Peter's Hospital at Albany and, during the year 1916 and part of 1917, he was attached to the staff of this institution. Upon leaving the hospital he went to Chestertown, New York, where he spent the summer months in the practice of his profession. In 1917 he found an ideal location for a new practitioner at Castleton and gave up his work at Chestertown in order to take advantage of it. He opened his present office at Castleton in September, 1917, and has continued in practice at the same address ever since. A great believer in equipment, Dr. Austin's office is furnished with the best appliances that money can buy and although his practice has now grown to large proportions, his efficient office system makes it possible for him to accommodate himself to the heavy demands that are made upon his time and strength. An interest in children's diseases and the ability to treat little children successfully, has resulted in many calls for his assistance in children's cases. This is a field in which Dr. Austin might specialize if he cared to do so, but at the present time, he prefers to remain in general practice and to meet the widest possible variety of cases.

A Republican in politics, Dr. Austin has always voted the straight Republican ticket, believing that this is the best way of supporting Republican principles. A progressive citizen, with a well-defined interest in all the political questions of the day, he keeps himself accurately informed in regard to matters at issue and, as time goes on, he may be expected to take a full share in the discussions and responsibilities of his party. Dr. Austin is a member of the Greek letter fraternity, Omega Upsilon Phi, which he was invited to join during his first year in college. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Born and brought up in the Methodist church, Dr. Austin has always been a regular attendant at church services and Sunday school. As a member of the Presbyterian congregation at Castleton, he takes an active part in its affairs and is keenly interested in the religious and humanitarian work it fosters.

Dr. Austin married, at Albany, New York, on September 16, 1918, Corinne Cargill, daughter of the late Charles B. and Laura K. Cargill.

EARL MAXWELL WAUGH—At present holding office as alderman of the Eighth Ward, Mr. Waugh is associated with the New York Central Railroad, serving as a stenographer in the Rensselaer office of the railroad. He was born at Rensselaer, June 17, 1897, son of John

Waugh. His father was a well known resident of Rensselaer and Mr. Waugh has spent his whole life in the city, except a brief period when he was a student at Albany and a year when he was employed by the State government at the capital.

He received his education in the public schools, and after his graduation from high school, proceeded to the Albany Business College, where he acquired a thorough training in business methods and commercial subjects, taking an especial interest in stenography, at which he soon became an expert. After his graduation from the Albany Business College Mr. Waugh began his independent career in the service of the Delaware and Hudson railroad, spending three months in the office of the company. At the end of this period he was offered a position as stenographer for the State government at the capitol in Albany and as this position appeared more attractive than the one he held with the Delaware and Hudson, he decided to accept it. He spent the next year in Albany therefore, and was assigned to work for the government connected with the Hudson river. During this year he acquired a great deal of practical business experience and greatly increased his knowledge of men and affairs. His next step in the business world came when he accepted a position in the office of the New York Central, at Rensselaer. This position he has held ever since, and during the four years of his connection with the railroad he has become an expert on all matters connected with the administration of his office. His naturally precise and careful methods of work, his punctuality and especially his fidelity and devotion to the best interests of the company have won the approval of his superiors and he seems destined to have a long and successful career as a railroad man.

In politics Mr. Waugh is a Republican. In 1921 he served as a member of the Republican County Council and in 1922 he was elected to the office of alderman of the Eighth Ward for a term of two years. During the World War Mr. Waugh was called into service in the United States Army. He was assigned to a regiment, but after having served for a period of three months, received his discharge on December 6, 1918, the signing of the armistice having put an end to hostilities. Mr. Waugh is a Mason and holds membership in the Blue Lodge and in the Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons, at Rensselaer. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to the Rensselaer Lodge, 921, of that organization.

Mr. Waugh married, at Albany, Marie K. Shimpf, daughter of Alfred and Frances Shimpf. Mr. and Mrs. Waugh have twin daughters, Marie Frances and Marjorie E., who were born February 10, 1922.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM JAMES FLYNN—One of the foremost members of the American Legion since its organization in Rensselaer county is Captain William J. Flynn, whose business activities have for some fourteen years kept him much in the public eye of Troy. With the recent election of officers of the county organization, he was made chairman of all American Legion Posts in Rensselaer county, thus now standing at the head of the organization in this district. Captain Flynn's career

is full of interest and during the comparatively short period of his active life, he has risen to a position of large influence and success as president of the Troy Electrical Company. Captain Flynn is a son of John J. and Mary (Coghlin) Flynn, both now deceased, his father formerly active in the granite business.

William J. Flynn was born in Albany, New York, August 3, 1893. His education was begun in the public schools of his native city, but he later attended the Christian Brothers' College in Albany, then at the age of sixteen years entered the world of men and affairs. His first position was in the employ of the Delaware and Hudson Railway Company, then he became identified with the Remington Typewriter Company and it was in the interests of that concern that he came to Troy, opening their office here. He was later placed in charge of distribution of the entire north district of New York for the same concern and it was in this position that the intervention of the United States in Europe found him.

On August 28, 1917, the young man enlisted for service in the World War and was sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Fort Niagara, New York. In November of the same year he was commissioned first lieutenant of the United States Army and was assigned to Company A, 311th Regiment, 78th Division, at Camp Dix. On January 3, 1918, he was transferred and became aid-de-camp to Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States Army. In February, 1918, Captain Flynn received his promotion to his present rank and thenceforward continued under Major General Scott, until the retirement of that officer. Captain Flynn was then made aid-de-camp to Major General Harry C. Hale and served under him in the office of the secretary of war, receiving his honorable discharge from the service on September 18, 1918, with the rank of captain of the United States Army. Captain Flynn is a charter member of Van Rensselaer Post, American Legion, and was elected its vice-commander, in which office he served until this post was consolidated with the Troy Citizens' Corps and renamed Troy Post American Legion. He was further elected commander of the new organization and his popularity in this connection led to his election in 1923 as county chairman of all American Legion posts in Rensselaer county. He is also a charter member of the officers' division of the American Legion of New York State and ex-commander of this order.

Since the war, Captain Flynn's business interests have followed somewhat different lines than previously. In August, 1919, while still in the service of the army, he bought a controlling interest in the Troy Electrical Company. This concern has a most interesting history, as it was one of the earliest enterprises of its kind, having been formed in 1894, under the firm name of the E. G. Barnard Company. In 1904 the name was changed to the present title, but Captain Flynn first became identified with it as above noted. In September, 1919, immediately following his return to civilian life, he became the active president of the organization and still fills this office with efficiency and ability. The concern has enjoyed marked growth since he took over its interests and now has a very large and constantly increasing business, extending throughout Northern New York State, and its electrical engineering department is

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understood to be easily the largest in this section. This concern was the first in Troy to take up the distribution and installation of radio outfits and they act as jobbers, retailers and engineers in all lines of electrical equipment and supplies.

Captain Flynn is well known in fraternal circles as a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Troy Club and the Laurette Boat Club. In political affairs he holds an independent position, giving his support to any party or candidate he believes fitted to serve the public welfare, and he has never thus far accepted public responsibilities of a political nature. His recreative interests follow the line of outdoor athletic sports, including baseball, boating and tennis.

Captain Flynn married, on November 4, 1918, Ann E. Murray, of Troy, who acts as his associate in the Troy Electrical Company, holding the only other office and being a director of the concern.

JOHN P. KELLY—One of the foremost figures in legal circles in Rensselaer county, New York, is John P. Kelly, who for upwards of forty years has been active in the practice of the law, and whose success has long been a noteworthy fact. In private practice and in public service, Mr. Kelly has done much for the general advance, and he is honored among his contemporaries in this and other professions as one of the thoroughly progressive and broadly representative men of the day in Rensselaer county. Mr. Kelly is a son of Patrick Kelly, who was born in Ireland, and came to the United States as a young man, settling in North Greenbush, Rensselaer county, New York, where he became a prominent contractor. He was later active for many years as superintendent of the Troy Gas Light Company.

John P. Kelly was born in Troy, New York, February 16, 1862. His education was acquired at the public schools of North Greenbush and Troy as far as the grades, and for a number of years thereafter he was employed in various ways, learning the molder's trade in the Clinton Foundry during this period. He worked at this trade while studying law in the offices of Thomas Neary, a distinguished lawyer of that day. He was later admitted to the bar of the State from the office of the late Judge E. Smith Strait, of Rensselaer county, and immediately thereafter, in partnership with the late Judge Robertson and the late Samuel Foster, he became a member of the firm then organized, Robertson, Foster & Kelly. Formed in the year 1885, this partnership continued for about three years, then Mr. Kelly withdrew to accept the office of assistant district attorney, by appointment of the late Hon. L. E. Griffith. Upon the elevation of Judge Griffith to the bench of Rensselaer county, as county judge, Mr. Kelly was appointed district attorney by the late Governor Hill. This was in the year 1890, and by subsequent elections Mr. Kelly was retained in that responsible office until the year 1897, inclusive. His original appointment was the result of his excellent service as attorney for the Rensselaer County Board of Supervisors, (1886-88) and in all his public activities he has wholeheartedly sought the greatest good for the people and for the county as an organized public

administrator. He served under the leadership of ex-Senator Edward Murphy; was chairman of the executive committee of the Democratic organization of the county; and also served as chairman of the Democratic County Committee under the leadership of Joseph Murphy until about three years ago, when he resigned his chairmanship in that organization, devoting his time and energy to his various other interests and not taking a very active interest in politics since that time. For more than a quarter of a century Mr. Kelly's private practice has so fully commanded his time and energies that he has accepted no further public responsibilities of an official nature. He has always practiced in partnership with noteworthy associates, the original firm giving place many years ago to the partnership long prominent as Foster, Kelly & Isenburgh, which association was by mutual consent dissolved, and he is now engaged in active practice alone. With spacious offices at No. 5 State street, his surroundings are in accord with his professional dignity. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and alert to every phase of civic and social advance. Mr. Kelly is past president of the Young Men's Catholic Literary Association, of which organization he was for many years a leading supporter.

John P. Kelly, married, November 12, 1887, Helen J. Fleming, daughter of James and Helen (Holmes) Fleming, and they are the parents of: Kathryn J., who married George J. Summers, a leading member of the Mosier & Summers Company of Buffalo, New York; James E., who is now holding a responsible position in the employ of the J. S. Bache Company, of New York; Helen J., who married Edmund J. Duffy, who is connected with Duffy-Healey, Incorporated, in Troy, New York. The family residence is at No. 1 Washington Park place.

EDWARD WATERBURY BECKER, M. D., has been in continuous general practice of medicine in Troy, New York, with special attention to nose and throat diseases, since April 1, 1900, and has won high reputation among the medical fraternity and the confidence of the many he serves professionally.

Edward W. Becker, son of Henry C. and Emeline (Waterbury) Becker, was born in Central Nassau, Rensselaer county, New York, April 20, 1876. He began his education in the district, then was a pupil in a Watervliet public school, going thence to Troy Academy, where he graduated in 1892. He next pursued a special course of study at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, but later decided upon medicine as his profession and entered Albany Medical College, there receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine in April, 1897. He then spent a year in post-graduate work in New York City, returning to Troy in October, 1898. He was interne at the Samaritan Hospital, Troy, until April 1, 1900, then began the private practice of his profession with special attention to nose and throat disease.

In 1900 Dr. Becker became associated with the late Dr. F. R. Roarkz in the nose and throat department of Samaritan Hospital and after the latter's death, assumed full charge of that department, retaining it until 1919. He holds the following positions: attending physician to Samari-

tan Hospital, Troy Orphan Asylum, Episcopal Church Home, and assistant lecturer in the department of physiology at Albany Medical College. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, member of the American Medical Association, American Therapeutic Society, New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. Dr. Becker is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with Mount Zion Lodge, Apollo Chapter, Bloss Council, Apollo Commandery, and Albany Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of Oriental Shrine, Ivan Grotto, the Masonic Club, Troy Chamber of Commerce, Phi Sigma Kappa, Van Schaick Island Golf Club, Troy Club; Floyd Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; and St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church.

Dr. Becker married Ethel C. Stone, daughter of Thomas H. and Charlotte (Chandler) Stone, of Troy.

OWEN D. CONNOLLY—Just a few years after being granted the privilege of practicing law in New York State, Mr. Connolly was called upon to serve as an assistant city attorney and has continued to act in that capacity. He is a son of John and Katherine (Wall) Connolly.

Owen D. Connolly was born at Troy, New York, September 29, 1876. He was educated in the Lansingburg public schools and academy. When he left the latter he secured employment to support himself while engaged in the study of law in the office of Hon. William J. Roche. In 1900 he was admitted to the bar and four years later assumed the duties of his present office, associated with the city government. Mr. Connolly is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Columbus, Laurette Boat Club, and St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, in Lansingburg.

Mr. Connolly was united in marriage with Rosa T. Flynn, and they are the parents of Roslyn C., and Owen D., Jr., both of whom are attending the local schools.

WILLIAM DIEFENDORF—One of the citizens of Rensselaer county who is contributing a valuable share to the life of the community is William Diefendorf, of Melrose, New York , who after receiving an excellent education has devoted his energies to the management of a successful grocery business and to civic affairs.

Mr. Diefendorf was born in Salt Springville, New York, December 23, 1888, son of William, who is engaged in agricultural pursuits, and Malinda Diefendorf. He received his early education in the local schools and after completing his high school course matriculated in Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1909. After the completion of his college course he spent one year on a ranch in the West and then returned to his native State and settled in Melrose, where he engaged in the grocery business. During the twelve years which have passed since that time, he has continued in that line of business activity and he is well and favorably known both in the trade and among his fellow citizens. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party and has

served in local public office. On May 9, 1921, he was appointed postmaster, after having been sheriff for five years. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious connection is with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Diefendorf married, April 10, 1911, in Melrose, New York, Ruth E. Viall, daughter of Charles D. and Vivian B. Viall. Mr. and Mrs. Diefendorf have no children.

WILLIAM B. McKEON, M. D., a graduate of Albany Medical College, class of 1915, had two years of hospital experience and was beginning private practice when the war with Germany drew him into the service of his country, his service beginning August 6, 1917, and ending with honorable discharge and the rank of major, June 13, 1919. Thus nearly two years of service was rendered in the United States, France and Germany as regimental surgeon and in active battle sectors with the American Expeditionary Forces, and with the Army of Occupation in Germany after the signing of the armistice. With that experience he located in Troy, where he has gained high reputation among the young men of his profession as a physician and surgeon of ability and skill. Dr. McKeon is a native son of Troy, his parents being William E. and Elizabeth (Molone) McKeon; his father residing in that city, his mother passing away on June 30, 1910.

William B. McKeon was born in Troy, New York, March 13, 1892, and there obtained his preparatory education in St. Joseph's Parochial School, finishing with graduation. He then tutored for two years in Chemistry at St. Joseph's Seminary preparatory to entering Albany Medical College (Union University) where he completed the courses and was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, class of 1915. From Albany Medical College he went for post-graduate study to Lying-In Hospital, New York City, thence to Troy Hospital, as interne, going from that hospital to service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, his country then being at war with Germany.

The foregoing account must not be construed as having been merely a matter of acquiring a professional education, for it meant in addition paying for it as well, for the young man absolutely financed his education, beginning in boyhood as a newsboy. In college his pen largely supported him, he acting as correspondent and writer for Troy newspapers during his entire term. He was also editor of "The Skull," the "Albany Medical College Journal," was president of his class, class historian, and class poet. He was also interested in athletics, excelling in baseball, swimming, having saved seventeen lives at Lake Placid, boxing and rowing, sports which yet attract him in spite of professional duties that prevent his indulging in them as he would like.

Dr. McKeon was commissioned a captain in the United States Army Medical Corps on August 6, 1917, and later was promoted to the rank of major. He was assigned to duty as surgeon of the 24th Regiment of Engineers of the American Expeditionary Forces, and was with his regiment at Aisne-Marne, where he was gassed in action; St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives in France. He was stationed in the Verdun

and Toul sectors with the 24th Regiment, and after the signing of the armistice was for five months stationed in Germany. He was then returned to the United States and honorably discharged on June 13, 1919. He then returned to Troy and began the upbuilding of a professional practice, his success having been most gratifying to his many friends in the city of his birth.

Dr. McKeon is surgeon for the Hudson River Navigation Company, is a member of the Surgical Staff of Troy Hospital and of St. Joseph's Lying-In Hospital, of Troy, is examiner for the United States Veterans' Bureau of the second district of Rensselaer county, and has a large private practice. He is a member of Noble-Callahan Post, American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars; contributing editor to the "Medical Quip," a New York medical journal specializing in obstetrical work; a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, New York State Medical Society, American Medical Association, the Troy Club, Omega Epsilon Phi fraternity, St. Joseph's Club, and St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. In politics he is a Democrat, and was nominated for coroner of Rensselaer county on the Democratic ticket for 1923.

Dr. McKeon married, in Troy, June 15, 1920, Annie L. Mahoney, daughter of William H. and Anna (Doyle) Mahoney, both of Troy, the father deceased.

ABEL MERCHANT—To those who during the years of their active life have built up useful institutions and successful business organizations every community owes much. Among those of Rensselaer county who have contributed to the development of organizations which continue to grow and prosper long after the founders have left the scene of their labors is Abel Merchant, descendant of Revolutionary ancestry, who besides being one of the organizers of what is now the Mutual Insurance Association of Rensselaer and Columbia counties, was also one of the founders of the Nassau Free Library, and its only president to the time of his death.

Abel Merchant, grandfather of the founder of Nassau Free Library, was a native of Connecticut. He served as a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and was one of the pioneers of Schodack, New York. He married and reared a family of children, among whom was Reuben, of further mention.

Reuben Merchant, son of Abel Merchant, purchased a farm near Schodack, New York, and was engaged in agricultural activities throughout his active career. He was one of the founders of Nassau Academy, in 1835, at which institution his sons and grandsons were prepared for college. He married Susannah Crum, and they became the parents of seven children, of whom the eldest was Abel, of further mention.

Abel Merchant, son of Reuben and Susannah (Crum) Merchant, was born in Schodack, New York, January 31, 1829, and died at the Merchant homestead, at Schodack, Rensselaer county, New York, May 3, 1916. He was the only one of seven children of his parents who lived to be over thirty years of age. After receiving a careful education in the

public schools of his native district he became a student in Union College, from which he was graduated in 1849 with the honors of Phi Beta Kappa. He was also a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. During his long and active career he was not only identified with a successful business enterprise, but he also devoted much time and energy to projects for the advancement of the public welfare. He was one of the organizers of the Mutual Insurance Association of Nassau, Schodack and Chatham, now the Mutual Insurance Association of Rensselaer and Columbia counties, which he served as its first president from 1855 to 1866, and from that time until 1914 as its secretary and treasurer. He was but twenty-six years of age when he became president of that financial institution, and during the period of nearly sixty years of his connection with that organization he devoted the greater portion of his time and energy to the advancement of its interests and was one of the most important factors in its steady growth and continued prosperity. Practically the entire period of his active life was devoted to the interests of that organization and to-day it stands as a living, growing monument to the ability and devotion of Abel Merchant. Though much absorbed in the successful management of his business responsibilities Mr. Merchant was not one who failed to recognize his responsibilities to the public, and in 1881 he was one of the founders of the Nassau Free Library, which organization he served as president until the time of his death. He was also the organizer of the Nassau and Schodack Cemetery Association and for several years, until 1914, was its secretary and treasurer. Few citizens of his section of the county were more widely known and more highly esteemed than was he, and certainly none were more greatly loved by their personal friends and associates than was Abel Merchant. His death, on May 3, 1916, in the full maturity of a long and useful life, left a vacancy which was deeply felt by his family and his many intimate personal friends.

Abel Merchant married Clara Louisa Doty, on February 15, 1868, at Stephentown, New York, daughter of Joseph Sheldon and Palmyra (Tolls) Doty, and a direct descendant of Edward Doty of the "Mayflower." Mr. and Mrs. Merchant became the parents of five children: Clarinda, a graduate of Wellesley College; Henry Doty, who was graduated from Union College in 1893 with the Phi Beta Kappa honors, and later from the Albany Law School, and engaged in practice in New York City; Abel, Jr., graduated from Union College in 1897 with the Phi Beta Kappa honors, and from the Albany Law School, and later engaged in legal practice in New York City; John Crapo, graduated from Union College in 1898 with Phi Beta Kappa honors, later from the Albany Medical College, and engaged in practice at Pine Plains, New York; he is married and has two children: Cornelia, and John; and Reuben Sheldon, who died at the age of eight years.

FREDERICK E. DRAPER is a son of Frederick E. and Anne J. (Woodcock) Draper, both of whom are deceased. He was born at Troy, New York, April 3, 1873. Beginning his education in the Fourth Ward

schools, he later attended the grammar school in Lansingburg (now Troy); Troy High School; Williams College, from which he was graduated in 1895 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Following the completion of his course there, he entered Harvard University Law School and graduated with the class of 1898, having been the recipient of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In that same year he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law in Troy, New York, where he continues to reside.

In politics he served as judge of the City courts in 1907-14; and was elected State Senator in 1920 for a two-year term, 1921-22, where he served as a member of the committees on codes, public education, internal affairs and conservation. He enlisted as a private in the United States army during the Spanish-American War, in Company A, Second New York Regiment, and continued in the service for six months, being stationed at various points in the United States. In the recent war he was chairman of the Local Exemption Board No. 3, of Troy, and took a very active part in all of the Loan drives and Red Cross work. He is a member of Apollo Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; also of the chapter; is a member of Van Schaick Island Country Club, and director of the Troy Club. He also is a director of Leonard Hospital. In religion he is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church.

Mr. Draper married (first) Katherine Stubbs, of Troy, New York, and they were the parents of two children: Frederick E. (3), who is attending Troy schools; and Katherine Roland, who is attending the Emma Willard School. He married (second) Mary Jeannette Mann, of Troy, June 25, 1915, by whom he has two children: Francis Mann, and Anne.

HENRY H. PLUMB—The Henry H. Plumb Company, optometrists and dealers in optical goods, which is now such an extensive one, is the product, in its present development, of the able management of Henry H. Plumb, who in 1899 took over the business of the firm, which was then known as Roarke & Plumb, dealers in books and optical goods, of which he was a member. The business at that time was operating in a modest way, and the task of developing it was not one which any man could have undertaken and carried through. Mr. Plumb, however, put his shoulder to the wheel, pressed unflinchingly ahead, his efforts being rewarded with a success that was as abundant as it was well-deserved. To-day the Plumb Company does a very large business, and from its strategic location in Troy, it has been reaching out for, and obtaining, business from practically every section of the northern part of New York. Energetic, determined and thoroughly capable, Mr. Plumb is the kind of man who compels success, and without slacking his devotion to his business, he expresses a most pleasing personality that attracts and holds the friendship and respect of a very large circle of acquaintances and friends.

Mr. Plumb is of English parentage, the family being of Norman

descent, traced in Normandy to the year 1188 and in England to 1272. The name is found in varied forms of Plumb, Plumbe, Plume, Plum, and the ancient arms of the family are thus described:

Arms—Ermine, a bend vaire or, and gules cottised vert.
Crest—Out of a ducal coronet or, a plume of ostrich feathers argent.

Charles W. Bardsley, M. A., in his "Dictionary of English and Welsh Surnames," assigns the origin of the name Plumb to a local source. The name signifies literally "at the plum," i. e., plum tree, the "b," of course, being superfluous. Plumb, or one of its variants, was in use in England among the earliest family names, the name, Robertus Plumme, appearing in the great roll of Normandy in 1180. John Plume was living in Hertfordshire, England, in 1240, and in 1274 the surname was found in Somersetshire, Cambridge, Norfolk, Essex, and later, in Nottinghamshire.

Thomas H. Plumb, born and educated in Nottinghamshire, England, came to the United States in 1855, a young man and a machinist by trade. He located in Peckskill, New York, where for ten years he followed his trade, early in life manifesting such fine capacities for executive direction that he became foreman of the largest machine shop of that town before a considerable period had elapsed. About 1870 he moved to Troy, where he found even more lucrative employment, and for years his special work there consisted in the supervision and erection of machinery used on the sugar plantations of Cuba and elsewhere. He was skilled as a mechanic, forceful as an individual, capable as a business man and as a manager of men, and esteemed and respected wherever known. For forty years he was a member of the Masonic order, being a past master of Courtland Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Peekskill. In religious sentiment he was an Episcopalian. Thomas H. Plumb married Lucy Pateman, of Nottinghamshire, England, and they were the parents of five children: 1. Elizabeth, married Edward Dunwoody, of Waterford, New York. 2. Henry H., of further mention. 3. Lucy, married Hultman Shires, of Troy. 4. Charles, deceased. 5. Walter D., living in Bennington, Vermont.

Henry H. Plumb, eldest son and second child of Thomas H. and Lucy (Pateman) Plumb, was born in Peekskill, New York, January 1, 1857, and there passed the first thirteen years of his life. He attended Peekskill Public School until the removal of the family to Troy in 1870, and there his early education was completed. He was yet a boy when he began working with a maternal uncle, Josiah Pateman, a miller, who was then operating the old Crystal Palace Mills of Troy. As he grew older he began seeking for more profitable avenues for his energies, and in the course of time he became a partner in the firm of Roarke & Plumb, booksellers and dealers in optical goods. The firm continued in business in Troy under that name until 1899, when Mr. Plumb became the sole owner of the business, and it received its first impetus toward growth and development. He had become well versed in the ways of the mercantile world during the years of his business life in Troy, a training school of many successful men, and had attained the age of forty-two when, in 1899, he found himself the sole owner and managing head of a

business. From that time until 1911 his rise was steady and uninterrupted, his business continuing up to that time as an individual one in ownership and management. In that year, however, finding that it had grown to such proportions that it was difficult for one man to look after its varied departments unaided, he incorporated the Henry H. Plumb Company, of which he was made president and treasurer, which office he still holds. He has an able corps of associates, and the affairs of the company are conducted on a high plane of modern efficiency. In addition to the large business which he so ably manages, Mr. Plumb is a director of the People's National Bank.

Civic, fraternal and charitable enterprises have not looked in vain toward Mr. Plumb, who is connected with many representative organizations. He is a director of the Leonard Hospital, of Troy, and the Moses Luddington Hospital, of Ticonderoga, New York. For forty years he has been a member of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, and is a companion of Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He holds membership also in the Troy Chamber of Commerce; is an honored member of the Troy Exempt Firemen's Association, and of that valuable modern association of business men, the Rotary Club. Other fraternal orders with which he is affiliated are the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Republican Club, the New York State Automobile Club, St. Joseph's Club, Trojan Rod and Gun Club, Troy Automobile Club, the Masonic Veterans' Association, the New York State Fish, Game and Forest League, and the Eastern New York Optometrical Society. In politics he is a Republican, serving Lansingburg as a member of the school board; and in religious sentiments he is an Episcopalian.

Mr. Plumb married, at Loudonville, Albany county, New York, October 1, 1890, Mary E. Tinley, daughter of Charles and Sarah Ann Tinley, of Loudonville, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Phoebe M., born January 29, 1894, a graduate of Lansingburg High School and Syracuse University, now with the Bender Laboratory, Albany, New York. 2. Thomas C., attended public schools, a graduate of Lansingburg High School. He was a sophomore at Syracuse University when he enlisted for service in the war against Germany, 1917-18. He enlisted in Troop D, but was assigned to the aviation squadron, and when the armistice was signed, held the rank of sergeant, being stationed at the American base on the south coast of England. After his return to the United States, he pursued courses of study in optometry at the Mechanics' Institute, Rochester, New York, whence he was graduated June 9, 1921. He is now associated with the H. H. Plumb Company, as manager and assistant treasurer.

Such has been the career of Henry H. Plumb, now a veteran of the business world, in which he holds an honored place. His rise has been achieved almost exclusively through the exercise of those sterling qualities, industry, energy and thrift, upheld by excellent business and executive qualifications. The Troy home of the family is at No. 118 Fifth avenue, and their summer home at Fort Ticonderoga, New York.

CHRISTOPHER JAMES PATTERSON, M. D.—Marshall Sanitarium of Troy, New York, is fortunate in having at its head Dr. Christopher J. Patterson, who is a recognized authority in the treatment of mental and nervous diseases and is also widely experienced in the management of institutions devoted to the welfare of that class of patients. Marshall Sanitarium (formerly Marshall Infirmary, founded in 1850) is the designated hospital for the observation of the alleged insane of the counties of Rensselaer and Saratoga, and is also caring for disabled soldiers of the World War.

Christopher S. Patterson, father of Dr. Patterson, was born in Ireland, in 1821, and was educated at Belfast Academy in the city of Belfast. In early life he came to Canada and settled in the Province of Ontario, where he studied law under the direction of Philip Low, of Picton. After his admission to the Dominion bar, he practiced his profession in the city of Toronto, becoming a justice of the Court of Appeals for the Province of Ontario. After several years on that bench, he was appointed a justice of the Supreme Court of the Dominion of Canada, an office he filled with distinction until his death in 1893. In 1877 he was appointed a member of the commission to consolidate the statute Law of the Province of Ontario, and in commemoration of the successful completion of that work each member of the commission received a special gold medal. This highly prized medal is now in the possession of his son, Dr. C. J. Patterson, of Troy, New York. Judge Patterson married, in 1853, Mary Dickson, daughter of Andrew Dickson, a linen manufacturer of County Down, Ireland. Judge and Mrs. Patterson were the parents of five children: Andrew Dickson, of Montreal; Eleanor, married Helenus MacPherson, of Guelph, Ontario, Canada; Sarah, married George S. Hodgins, of Toronto, Canada; Christopher James, the principal character of this review; and William Gregg, of Guelph, Ontario.

Christopher James Patterson, son of Judge Christopher S. and Mary (Dickson) Patterson, was born in Toronto, Canada, August 2, 1863. He was educated at Upper Canada College, Toronto; Toronto Collegiate Institute; matriculated in medicine at the University of Toronto, 1882; studied in Trinity Medical School, Toronto; and McGill College, Montreal; and was graduated by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, in 1890. With professional tastes inherited from his distinguished father, and prepared by a long course of splendid educational training, Dr. Patterson came to his work as a physician perfectly equipped by temperament and learning. In 1891 he began private practice in Buffalo, New York, continuing there for six years and building up a good practice. During those six years he had become well known as a young physician of skill and learning, and in 1897 he was induced to enter the hospital service of the State of New York. He was assigned to duty at Manhattan State Hospital, Ward's Island, in the East river, New York City, where he remained nine months. He was then transferred to the State Hospital at Buffalo, remaining at that institution until October, 1904, when he returned to Ward's Island, there continuing until June, 1906, when he resigned to become physician-in-charge of "Falkirk," a

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private sanitarium for mental and nervous cases at Central Valley, New York. In September of that year he returned to the State Hospital service, on duty at the State Hospital at Kings Park, Long Island. In 1907 Dr. Patterson began private practice in New York City as a specialist in mental and nervous diseases, but three years later, in 1910, he gave up practicing privately to become physician-in-charge of "Glenmary," a private sanitarium for mental and nervous cases, at Owego, New York. During his three years' private practice, 1907-1910, he was also instructor to the Polyclinic Hospital, New York, Out-Door Department, Mental and Nervous Division.

In December, 1911, Dr. Patterson resigned from Glenmary Sanitarium, and in March, 1912, accepted appointment as physician-in-charge of Marshall Sanitarium. As head of the Marshall Sanitarium he has added greatly to his already high reputation as an authority on mental and nervous diseases and has rendered valuable service to many patients. In addition to his responsibilities as head of the sanitarium, he is psychiatrist to the Samaritan Hospital, Troy, New York; lecturer on mental diseases to the Training School for Nurses, the Samaritan Hospital, Troy, New York; lecturer on mental diseases to the Training School for Nurses, the Troy Hospital, Troy, New York. He is a fellow of the American Psychiatric Association; fellow Buffalo Academy of Medicine; member of the Medical Society County of Rensselaer (president 1919-1920); Medical Society, State of New York; American Medical Association; The Canadian Society of New York; British Schools and Universities Club of New York; University of Toronto Club, of New York; McGill Graduates' Club, of New York; City Club of New York; Troy Club; and Van Schaick Island Country Club, of Troy. He is also a member of the Current Topic Club, of Troy; an associate member of the Troy Vocal Society; member of the Chromatic Club, of Troy; a member of the National Eugenics Research Association; and honorary member of the Medical Staff of the Troy Hospital.

Dr. Patterson has always taken a keen interest in military affairs. In 1885 he saw active service in the Riel Rebellion in the Canadian Northwest, and in 1918 was commissioned captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, United States Army.

HENRY SPINK DARBY—A life-long resident of Troy and from the age of nine, a worker, Henry S. Darby, president of J. M. Warren and Company, and president of the United National Bank of Troy, can from this height of assured success review with satisfaction the past and trace the path he has trodden from the valley to the mountain top. The company of which he is the executive head is operating one of the oldest establishments in Troy, a hardware store, opened in 1809, under the firm name of Hart & Nazro. On June 21, 1821, John P. Nazro retired, and the firm became Hart & Pitcher. In 1824 it was identified as Craft, Hart & Pitcher, and in 1831 was changed to Pitcher, Hart & Card. In 1832 it was Hart & Card, and in 1834 Isaac B. Hart continued the busi-

ness alone. The Warrens became connected with the firm in 1836, when it was named Hart, Lesley & Warren, the name being changed in 1840 to Warren, Hart & Lesley, when Joseph M. Warren became a partner. In 1847 the store was moved into the present quarters of the new addition from the old stand at No. 6 Lane Row. In 1855 Mr. Hart and Mr. Lesley retired from the firm, which became known as J. M. Warren & Company, a partnership between J. M. Warren and Charles W. Tillinghast. The present main building was built in 1870, and in 1876 the large storerooms in the rear were acquired. The business was incorporated in 1887. The property at Nos. 241-243 River street was purchased by the firm from the estate of J. M. Warren, February 1, 1910. This house prides itself on the staff which it has built up, many of the clerks never having worked elsewhere. H. S. Darby, the present president-treasurer, has been the only treasurer the firm has had since its incorporation. He has also been vice-president-treasurer.

Henry Spink Darby, son of Alexander Lowe, who was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and Sarah (Hilton) Darby, was born at Troy, New York, March 9, 1859. He attended the public school until the age of nine, when he was forced, through the death of his father, to seek employment, procuring a position as office boy with the Albany Iron Works, Troy, New York. In 1873, at the age of fourteen, he became a clerk in the office of J. M. Warren and Company, and through perseverance and efficiency he won promotion, rising finally to intermediate position of trust, to treasurer, vice-president, and finally to the presidency and treasurership, in 1914. He is president of the United National Bank, vice-president of the Troy Trust Company, president of the board of trustees of the Young Women's Christian Association, treasurer of the board of trustees of the Young Men's Christian Association, secretary of the Samaritan Hospital, and director of the Marshall Infirmary. He is a member of the Troy Club, Van Schaick Island Country Club, Troy Chamber of Commerce, and the Republican Club of Rensselaer county. He has been a communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of Troy, for many years; treasurer for twenty-six years, and warden since 1915, and is a member of the board of missions of the Episcopal Diocese of Albany.

Mr. Darby married, at Rochester, New York, April 26, 1888, Harriett Crennell, a daughter of William H. and Harriett (Green) Crennell. Mr. and Mrs. Darby are the parents of two children: 1. Alexander Lowe, born October 2, 1890, who married, on September 20, 1916, Edna Ruth Johnson, of Troy, New York, and they have two children: Alexander Lowe, and Nancy Palmer. 2. Esther Radcliffe, born January 5, 1895, who married, April 26, 1921, Dr. D. W. Houston, Jr., of Troy, New York, and they have a daughter, Harriett Crennell.

Such in briefest outline is the life-story of one of Troy's leading business men. He has won the prominence he holds in the city's business and financial life, fairly and honorably, and the winning has not been through a lucky turn of fortune's wheel, but merit alone has brought Mr. Darby every promotion he has ever received.

JOHN THOMAS NORTON—As a successful lawyer and an able and efficient public official, John Thomas Norton has made a name and a place for himself among the notably able members of his profession. For more than three decades he has been engaged in legal practice in the city of Troy, and there are few citizens of the community who are better known or more highly esteemed than is he.

Thomas Norton, father of John Thomas Norton, was born in Ireland and came to this country when he was a young man. He finally settled in Troy, New York, where for many years he was superintendent of the Clinton Iron Works, and where he was one of the leaders in Democratic political affairs. For many years he served as a member of the Board of Aldermen, and his discernment and sagacity were much depended upon by his colleagues in the Democratic party as well as by his business associates. His death occurred August 24, 1888, and that of his wife, Rose (Shattuck) Norton, January 20, 1898.

John Thomas Norton was born in Troy, New York, February 4, 1865, and received his early education in the public schools of his native city. When his high school course was completed he matriculated in Williams College, from which he was graduated in 1886, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then began the study of law in Troy, but later went to Buffalo, New York, where he completed his studies and was admitted to the bar in October, 1888. The following year he returned to Troy and entered into partnership with M. H. Myers, under the firm name of Myers & Norton, which connection he continued until the death of Mr. Myers in 1893. Since that time he has continued to practice alone. Early in his professional career he was appointed corporation counsel for the village of Greenbush, Rensselaer county, New York, and in 1894 he was elected to represent his district in the State Assembly of New York, carrying the election by a majority of 750, the quality of his service as an assemblyman being best evidenced by the fact that the following year, in 1895, he was reëlected, this time carrying the election by a majority of 2,147. In 1902 he was appointed corporation counsel for the city of Troy, and in 1911 he was made deputy attorney-general of the State of New York, in charge of the Conservation Bureau of the attorney-general's office. The duties of that responsible official position he continued to efficiently fill until 1914. During the incumbencies of Governor Glynn Mr. Norton acted as counsel to the governor. As a public official he has made an enviable reputation for ability, faithfulness and close adherence to the highest ideals of public service. Though he has held many important public offices, his political career has not been entirely made up of successes. He was the candidate of the Democratic party for district attorney, for Secretary of State, and for judge of the Court of Appeals, in each of which campaigns he was defeated. His service, however, in the various public positions which he has held has been of so high a degree of efficiency that his reputation is well established and he is recognized as one of the progressive and conscientious political men of his party. He has won the esteem of his professional associates in a high degree, and though his successes, both professionally and in public

service, have been many, he is one of those who always remain a student. He keeps constantly in touch with the larger aspects of the profession through membership in the Rensselaer County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association, and steadily continues to serve the community in which he lives by giving his support to all those matters which are planned for the advancement of the welfare of the city. He is a member of the Williams College Club, of New York City; of the Troy Club; the Van Schaick Island Golf Club; and of the Old Guard; and he is also a member of the Troy Citizens' Corps. He is president of the Rockwood Manufacturing Company, of Fulton county, and of the Forbes Manor Realty Company, of Rensselaer. His religious affiliation is with the Catholic church.

John Thomas Norton married, on January 16, 1891, at Buffalo, New York, Margaret Hammond, who was born in Troy, New York, but was a resident of Buffalo, New York. She died February 11, 1922, leaving four children: 1. Josephine Hammond, who received her early education in the public schools of Troy and then became a student in Notre Dame University, of Maryland, from which she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. 2. Margaret H., who also received her early education in the public schools of Troy and continued her studies in the Notre Dame University, but did not graduate from that institution. 3. Thomas John, who received his early education in the public schools of Troy, and then prepared for college in Troy Academy. Upon the completion of his preparatory course he matriculated in Williams College, where he continued his studies until the entrance of the United States into the World War, at which time he enlisted and was sent to France with the Hoosick Falls Company, of the 105th Troy Regiment. 4. Helen Rose, who after receiving her early education in the public schools of Troy, became a student in the Emma Willard School, of Troy. She married Allen Archiland Roff, of Cohoes, New York.

EDWARD STRECKER—Length of service is not uncommon in the banking business where men spend a lifetime with one institution, but the Union National Bank, of Troy, New York, has the unusual experience of having as president a man who began his connection with the bank half a century ago as messenger, and has, as cashier, a man who forty-two years ago began his career with the bank, a boy of fourteen, and in the lowliest position. President Wheeler came up from the ranks, and for more than half a century has been associated with the one institution, while Cashier Edward Strecker, for forty-two years, has served the same institution, and won his way from the lowest grade of bank service to the high and responsible position he most ably fills. Fifty-six is hardly middle age in the banking world, and Mr. Strecker has many years of usefulness before him. He has never known any other business than banking, and no other bank than the Union National.

Edward Strecker is the son of Werner Strecker, who was born in Alsfeld, Germany, in 1837, and there spent the first fourteen years of his life. He came to the United States in 1851 and found a home in Troy, New

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York, where he completed his education in the public day and night schools and in business college. When a young man, he engaged in business in Boston, Massachusetts, remaining in that city until 1874, when he returned to Troy and established a real estate and insurance business, of which he is still the managing head, although an octogenarian. He is a member and past master of Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; and Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; and is highly esteemed by his brethren of the order. He married Walburg Kirchner, who died October 9, 1921. They were the parents of five children: Wilhelmina, deceased, was the wife of William F. Bayer; Lorenzo, a druggist, of Troy; Bertha, wife of John I. Belmore; Edward, of further mention; Pauline.

Edward Strecker was born in Boston, Massachusetts, February 28, 1867, but in 1874, Troy, New York, became the family home. He attended the public schools until fourteen years of age, then, on April 27, 1881, began his long term of service with the Union National Bank, of Troy, as messenger. As a boy he established a reputation for diligence, promptness and honesty, his rise to a higher position being inevitable, once his qualities and characteristics were known. He passed the different bookkeepers' position, and in 1912 was made assistant cashier, and in 1915 was advanced to his present position—cashier. He is also a member of the board of directors, and is regarded as one of the strong men of the directorate. He is also a director of the Bank of Waterford, New York, of which he was one of the founders; and vice-president of the J. S. Easton Company, Incorporated, of Troy, New York, converters of cotton goods. Mr. Strecker is a member of the Troy Citizens' Corps; was a member of the Sixth Separate Company, New York National Guard, for six years; member of the Troy Club; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is treasurer; member of Troy Chamber of Commerce, and its former treasurer; member of Troy Republican Club; and treasurer and trustee of the First Baptist Church, of Troy.

Mr. Strecker married, June 5, 1889, Alta V. Green, daughter of William Duane and Martha (Main) Green, of Troy, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Strecker are the parents of two children: 1. Ralph D., born in Troy, New York, September 30, 1890; there educated in public schools and Troy Academy; he is now engaged with the John W. Ferguson Company, of Paterson, New Jersey; he married Ethel Thornton, of Providence, Rhode Island, and they are the parents of three children: Thornton D., Marilyn Strecker, and Leland E. 2. A. Elise, a graduate of Troy High School and Emma Willard School, of Troy.

EUGENE FRANCIS CONNALLY, M. D., one of the foremost surgeons of Rensselaer county, with extensive hospital training and the breadth of his experience gained by service in the World War, is now holding a noteworthy position in the medical profession in Eastern New York State, and his success contributes widely to the welfare of the people. A native of this county, Dr. Connally is a son of Owen and Mary (Cummings) Connally, both now deceased.

Dr. Connally was born in Lansingburg, New York, in the section now known as North Troy, June 1, 1885. Taking up his elementary studies in the public schools he later attended St. Augustine's Academy, then entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1910 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For one year thereafter he served as interne at the Samaritan Hospital, then in 1911 began practice at Whitehall, New York, where he was active for three years, or thereabouts. In 1914-15 he took post-graduate work in the New York Polyclinic Hospital; afterwards, towards the close of 1915, he entered practice in Troy. Dr. Connally was then made pathologist and bacteriologist at the Troy Hospital, being placed at the head of the department of bacteriology. It was not long afterward, in July, 1916, that he went to the Mexican border with the 2nd Regiment, New York National Guard, at which time he was a first lieutenant of the medical corps, receiving his promotion to captain while in service there. In August, 1917, he was commissioned captain of the United States Medical Corps for service in the World War. Detailed to the officers' training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, at Indianapolis, Indiana, he was later sent to the base hospital at Camp Custer, Michigan, thence to Rockefeller Institute, for special training, thereafter to Washington, District of Columbia. In July, 1918, he was sent overseas to join Base Hospital No. 35, which was stationed at Mars Sur Alier, France. In May, 1919, he was promoted to the rank of major and was regimental surgeon of the 319th Infantry, with which unit he remained in the same capacity until his return to America. Receiving his honorable discharge from the service on June 27, 1919, he resumed the practice of his profession in Troy. In connection with his private practice he now serves on the surgical staff of the Leonard Hospital. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. Fraternally he is prominent in the Knights of Columbus, having attained the Alhambra and the fourth degree, and is also a member of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, the Laureate Boat Club, and Van Schaick Island Country Club. His religious affiliation is with St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Connally married (first) Mary Elizabeth Foy, who died in March, 1918. He married (second) Marion Gage Bailey, daughter of Chester Gage and Anna Elizabeth (Connelly) Bailey, and they have one child, Eugene Francis, Jr., born November 27, 1921.

TIMOTHY JOSEPH QUILLINAN—Beginning life in a modest way, Mr. Quillinan has by serious study and native ability won for himself a place of honor in the public affairs of Rensselaer county, New York, where he is ably fulfilling the duties of district attorney, with offices in the Court House, Troy, New York.

Timothy Joseph Quillinan is the son of Michael D. (deceased) and Johanna (Crough) Quillinan, of Troy, New York, where he was born September 19, 1870. He attended the public school in the Thirteenth Ward of his native city until reaching the age of thirteen, when he

essayed to support himself. At the age of fifteen he started to learn the trade of stove pattern making and drafting in the Troy foundries, and for six years thereafter worked at this trade in several sections of New York State. While employed at Rochester, New York, he attended night school and succeeded in winning a law school certificate, so that he began to study law when twenty-four years of age. In November, 1897, he was admitted to the bar and immediately began to practice his profession independently.

Mr. Quillinan has held various public offices as a member of the Republican party, and among them may be mentioned the following: Attorney for the board of supervisors for several years; elected judge of the City Court of Troy in 1905 or 1906, from which he resigned to accept the post of assistant district attorney January 1, 1909, and retained that office until December 31, 1911; practiced law in the meantime. On January 1, 1921, he was again appointed assistant district attorney and held that office until February 6, 1922, when he was appointed district attorney in place of Abbott H. Jones, resigned; was elected district attorney in November, 1922, for the term 1923 to 1927. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Troy Club; the Laureate Boat Club for the past twenty-eight years, and many times its president, now a trustee; and the Rensselaer County Society, of the city of New York. He seeks recreation in boating, tennis and baseball. In his religious faith he is Roman Catholic, a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy.

Mr. Quillinan was married to Sarah E. Kirwin, of Troy, April 17, 1901, a daughter of William H. and Margaret (Sands) Kirwin, and are the parents of three children: Francis Joseph, born December 10, 1902, who was educated in the Troy public schools and is now (1923) seeking the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws at Cornell University, in the class of 1925; George Edgar, born January 15, 1906, a sophomore in Lansingburg High School; and Walter Kirwin, born February 11, 1912, a student in St. Patrick's Academy.

REV. JOHN ELIAS DUERSCHNER, A. B., A. M.—From the earliest history of Rensselaer county, New York, the church has borne its part in the progress of the people, participating in the education and uplift of the community, and leading the people ever to higher planes of moral and spiritual attainment. Rev. John E. Duerschner is now one of the leading representatives of Christian effort as pastor of Trinity German Lutheran Church, of Troy, New York. He is a son of Conrad Duerschner, who was born in Bavaria, Germany, and was educated for the missionary service in East Africa. His preparation for this work was very broad, his training having comprised both that of the clergyman and the physician, but he was led to come to America where he was placed in charge of a large pastorate in Central Missouri. There he served the people both as preacher and physician, doing incalculable good in a district remote from centers of population, where the physical as well

as the spiritual needs of the people were great. He died in 1895, deeply beloved by the people to whom he had ministered. He married Cathrine L'Amerand, who was of French Huguenot descent, who died in Troy in 1912, at the great age of ninety years.

John Elias Duerschner was born in Galena, Illinois, July 20, 1859. The family removing to Missouri shortly afterward, his education was begun at the public schools of Pyrmont, in that State. He later attended an academy in Saint Louis, Missouri, then as a young man entered Wartburg College, at Galena, Illinois, from which he was graduated in 1876, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and from which institution he later received the degree of Master of Arts. He then went to the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mendota, Illinois, from which he was graduated in theology in the class of 1879. He was shortly afterward called as assistant pastor of the German Lutheran church at Dubuque, Iowa, thence went to Pyrmont, Missouri, as pastor, after which he was sent to Toledo, Ohio, as pastor of the German Lutheran church in that city. After several years of faithful service at Toledo, Mr. Duerschner was sent to Plainfield, New Jersey, as pastor of the German Lutheran church. In 1911 he was called to his present pastorate in Troy, and his labors in this city have done much not only for the growth and advancement of the church but for the general uplift and well-being of the people. He commands the respect and esteem of his contemporaries in the religious work of the city of whatsoever denomination or creed, and among the people of his church he is looked up to as a beloved leader and spiritual guide. He is at the present time (1923) president of the Albany Conference of the German Lutheran church, of which also he is a director and a member of the executive board, and he is a member of the Troy-Albany Ministerial Association.

Mr. Duerschner married, on April 23, 1892, at Wilton, Iowa, Emma Opitz, and they have four children: 1. Adolph, educated in the grammar and high schools of Plainfield, New Jersey, and the business college of Troy, New York, now identified with the Wilbur-Pike Thermometer Company of Troy. He married Emma Doring of Troy, and has one child, Ruth Helen. 2. Alfred D., educated in Lansingburg grammar and high schools, and graduated from Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania, also Albany Medical College, class of 1919, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine; he served as interne and house physician in the Albany Hospital, and is now connected with the State Tubercular Hospital, also doing special work in tuberculosis prevention for the United States Government in connection with the activities of this nature at Plattsburg, New York. 3. Helen, educated in the Lansingburg grammar and high schools, and the Albany State Normal School, now acting as a private tutor. 4. Bertha, whose education was the same as that of her sister; she is now teaching at Mill Creek, New York.

MERRITT A. ROBERTS—Formerly engaged in business as the proprietor of a general store, Mr. Roberts is now the owner and manager of his father's farm on Eagle Mills Road near Troy, New York. He was

born at Center Brunswick, New York, December 17, 1864, son of Merritt and Catherine (Dusenberg) Roberts. His father was a skilled agriculturist and for many years devoted himself to the care and cultivation of the farm now occupied by Mr. Roberts. In August, 1916, he died, and his death was a source of deep regret to all classes of the community. Mrs. Catherine (Dusenberg) Roberts died May 12, 1910.

Mr. Roberts received his education in the public schools of his native county, and completed his studies at the Lansingburg Academy. He began to help his father in the work of the farm when he was only ten years old, utilizing his spare time and the summer vacations for light work, as, for instance, gathering eggs, chopping kindling wood, driving cattle to and from the pastures, and before long he became skilled in all kinds of agricultural lore. He found farm work agreeable and remained at home associated with his father on the farm until 1884, when he decided to seek a change of occupation, for a while at least. Accordingly, he invested his capital in the establishment of a general store at Center Brunswick and met with unusual success from the very beginning. He had a natural instinct for trade, and by means of carefully planned advertising, and by establishing a reputation for goods of the highest quality, he soon built up a substantial business. His trade increased, and many families gave him their exclusive and regular patronage. He might have continued at this business indefinitely had he not felt a desire to return to his father's farm and to give him what assistance in managing it that he could. His father was anxious to have him come back, and consequently Mr. Roberts disposed of his interest in the store at a handsome profit and once more took up the business of agriculture. He has remained on the farm ever since, and the store which he founded at Center Brunswick is still carried on by his former partner, Mr. Haynes, to whom he sold his share of the business in 1891. While his father lived, Mr. Roberts assisted him in the work of running the farm, gradually assuming more and more of the responsibilities and duties connected therewith as his father's strength declined. In 1916, when the elder Mr. Roberts died, the farm passed into Mr. Roberts possession and he still conducts it. He does not specialize in any particular crop, but raises various crops, practicing the most scientific methods of cultivation and maintaining the fertility of his land by careful rotation of crops and the use of well-chosen fertilizers. He is keenly interested in the work of the United States Government as carried on by the Department of Agriculture on behalf of agriculturists throughout the country, and makes a point of keeping up with the latest developments of science in regard to farming and its problems.

In religious faith, Mr. Roberts is a member of the Gilead Lutheran Church, of which he is an elder. He is devoted to the best interests of the church and never spares himself in his efforts to further its humanitarian and religious undertakings. He is a Republican in politics, and was elected county supervisor in 1919, for a four years' term of office. He is an active member of the Order of American Men, and has been through all the chairs of this organization.

On September 30, 1886, Mr. Roberts married, at Center Brunswick, Martha Van Arnum, daughter of Jacob H. and Martha (Smith) Van Arnum. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have no children.

CHARLES A. STONE—The Stone family of Troy, New York, of which Charles A. Stone, investment broker, is a twentieth century representative, traces descent from John Stone, son of Rev. William Stone, of Hertfordshire, England, who came with his brother William to Guilford, Connecticut, arriving in New Haven Harbor between the tenth and fifteenth of July, 1639, their's the first ship to ever enter that harbor. Both John and William Stone signed the "Plantation Agreement" for the government of the first settlers, and both became land-owners. John Stone was a clothier, a mason and a farmer, was constable of Guilford for many years, and a man of considerable importance. By his wife, Mary, he had five sons, four of whom married and had sons and daughters.

Stone is an ancient family name derived from two sources, residence in a parish village or hamlet named Stone, or from residence near some prominent ledge or remarkable stone of sufficient size as to be a local landmark; John of Stone or John at the Stone, easily becoming John Stone when surnames were adopted. The Stone family of Blackmore, Essex. England, bore arms:

Arms—Argent, three cinquefoils sable, on a chief azure, a sun or.

The Stones of London bore arms granted in 1585:

Arms—Argent, three cinquefoils sable, a chief azure.
Crest—Out of a ducal coronet a griffin's head ermine, between a pair of wings or.

(I) Charles Stone, a descendant of John and Mary Stone, of Guilford, Connecticut, the American founders of this branch, came from Guilford to Greene county, New York, and settled near Cairo, a village and summer resort of Cairo township, ten miles from the Catskill mountains. He married Polly Byington, and they were the parents of Charles (2) of further mention.

(II) Charles (2) Stone, a coal merchant of Lansingburg and Troy, New York, died in Troy. He married Mary Jane Cole, of Lansingburg, and they were the parents of: Charles R., of further mention; Mary A.; and Alice, deceased, who married Joseph H. Bushnell, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

(III) Charles R. Stone was born in Troy, New York, August 29, 1853, and died in the city of his birth, November 20, 1887. After completing school years he became associated with his father in the coal business, and after the death of the latter succeeded him in business. Later, Otis Crandall was admitted a partner, the firm of Stone & Crandall operating most successfully until the death of Charles R. Stone in 1887. He was an energetic, capable man of affairs, and accumulated large interests. In addition to his coal business he was vice-president of the Manufacturers' National Bank of Troy, and had large corporate interests. He was a member of the Citizens' Corps of Troy, and of the First Presbyterian Church.

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Charles R. Stone married Katrina B. Akin, daughter of Elihew and Harriet (Van Schaick) Akin, her father a member of the general merchandising firm, Graves & Akin, of Bennington, Vermont, and Troy, New York. In religious faith the Akins were members of the Society of Friends. Mr. and Mrs. Stone were the parents of Charles A., of further mention.

(IV) Charles A. Stone, only son of Charles R. and Katrina B. (Akin) Stone, was born in Troy, New York, June 19, 1881. He was educated at Troy Academy and Wesleyan University (Middletown, Connecticut), whence he was graduated Bachelor of Science, class of 1904. After graduation, he formed a connection with the Corliss Construction Company of Troy, and as vice-president and treasurer of that company continued until 1907, when he began a three-year term with the Manufacturers' National Bank of Troy. Those years were educational and devoted to gaining an intimate knowledge of banking, finance and investment securities in general. In 1908 he resigned from the bank and engaged in business for himself as an investment broker, with headquarters in Troy. He has won high reputation in the investment world of his city and continues a successful business man, his judgment and experience rendering him a safe advisor on the value of investment securities. He has strong connection with banks and investment agencies outside of Troy, and is a director of the Manufacturers' National Bank; a trustee of Troy Academy; an ex-president of Troy Chamber of Commerce; present member and ex-trustee of the Young Men's Christian Association; and former Commissioner of Education. His clubs are: The Troy Riding Club; the Van Schaick Island Golf Club; University Club, New York: Albany Country Club; the Troy; his college fraternity, Psi Upsilon; his fraternal order, the Masonic (Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311); his political sentiment Democratic; and his church preference Episcopalian, he being a vestryman of St. John's Church, Troy.

Charles A. Stone married, June 20, 1908, Hazel K. Payn, daughter of Howard K. and M. Alida (Dennison) Payn, of Albany, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Stone are the parents of a son, Charles A., born April 22, 1909. The family residence is at No. 28 Locust avenue, Troy, New York.

CHARLES BENJAMIN SPRAGUE, M. D.—For twenty-five years active in the practice of medicine, Dr. Sprague has won his way to a position of assured success, and as a leader in his field of activity in Rensselaer county, is a thoroughly representative figure in the professional world to-day. Dr. Sprague comes of an old New York State family, and is a son of George M. and Louisa (Safford) Sprague, esteemed farming people of Essex county, New York, both now deceased.

Charles Benjamin Sprague was born on the home farm at Essex, Essex county, New York, January 21, 1872. His education was begun in the district schools of the countryside and for a time he attended school at Westport, New York, where he was graduated from high school. From early youth he had cherished an ambition to enter the medical profession and eventually realized his dream, entering the University

of Vermont, from the medical department of which he was graduated in 1898 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Following a year of hospital experience, Dr. Sprague took up the private practice of medicine in 1898, in Warren county, New York, remaining there for about two years. Removing to Troy, New York, in 1901, he established his office here and soon won a place in the confidence and esteem of the people. He has followed general lines of practice and has been largely successful. Dr. Sprague has been a member of the staff of Leonard Hospital for the past twenty years, and for the past eight years has been lecturer for the training class for nurses, and his private practice is very extensive, both in the city and its environs. Dr. Sprague's genial temperament and genuine interest in the welfare of his fellow beings give him especial adaptability to the exacting demands of his profession. He has for years been a member of the New York State Medical Society, the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and is medical inspector for the Lansingburg schools, also for the Danish Society, both men's and women's branches. A member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, he is well known fraternally, being a member of Phoenix Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; Phoenix Chapter, No. 133, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Oriental Temple, Ancient and Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Scottish Rite bodies up to the thirty-second degree. He is a member of Lansingburg Lodge, No. 604, Order of the Maccabees, of which he is medical examiner; is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity; and of the Masonic Club. Dr. Sprague is master and treasurer of Lansingburg Masonic Temple Association. He was coroner of Rensselaer county for one term and was nominated on the Republican ticket for a second term. Dr. Sprague's relaxations are those of the out-door world and he takes special pleasure in hunting and fishing.

Dr. Sprague married, September 4, 1900, Elizabeth Irving, daughter of Alexander and Stella (Wright) Irving, of Troy, New York, and they have two children: George M., in Lansingburg High School; and Louise, in grammar school also in Lansingburg.

JOHN B. HOLMES, who from 1893 until his death in 1916 was a member of the Rensselaer county bar and of the firm Lansing & Holmes, was born August 13, 1852, in West Davenport, New York, died in Troy, New York, April 8, 1916, son of Elkanah and Betsey (Burdick) Holmes. He was educated in local public schools and in Stamford Seminary, Stamford, New York, then for several terms taught school. He began the study of law in the office of A. Raymond Gibbs, of Oneonta, New York, thence going to Albany Law School whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1878, and the same year was admitted to practice law. He settled in East Worcester, Otsego county, New York, there continuing until 1883, when he moved to Worcester, in the same county, practicing in partnership with Frank L. Smith, under the firm name of Holmes & Smith. In 1893 he located in Troy, New York, where he practiced in partnership with James Lansing until his death,

twenty-three years later, in 1916. He was an able lawyer, learned, aggressive and resourceful, a powerful advocate for the cause he espoused, and an antagonist to be respected and feared.

Mr. Holmes was a Democrat in politics, and from 1884 to 1888, was a member of the Board of Supervisors for Otsego county from Worcester, for two of those years being chairman of the board. In 1889 he was living in Otsego county and was the nominee of his party for district attorney. In Worcester he was the nominal cashier of the Worcester Bank for three years, and for a number of years was a member of the board of trustees of Worcester Academy. In Otsego county he was a member of the Democratic County Committee and attended several State conventions of his party as a delegate. He was a member of Cobleskill Lodge, No. 304, Free and Accepted Masons; King Solomon Lodge of Troy; the County and State bar associations; and was one of the foremost members of the county bar, the firm of Lansing & Holmes commanding a large and influential clientele.

John B. Holmes married, in 1878, Mary E. Tobey, of West Davenport, New York, and to them was born a son, Nortrup R. Holmes, a sketch of whom follows.

NORTRUP R. HOLMES, only child of John B., a sketch of whom precedes, and Mary E. (Tobey) Holmes, was born in East Worcester, New York, January 17, 1879. His early education was begun in Worcester, New York, and was continued in Troy public schools, Troy Academy, and Union College. He adopted his father's profession and after a clerkship under him, entered Albany Law School, whence he was graduated with the class of 1901, and was admitted to the bar. He located in Troy in general practice, but in 1905, following his natural habit of mind, again became a student and specialized in the most highly specialized branch of his profession, engineering law.

Mr. Holmes became widely known as a specialist and to-day his practice is entirely along the line of engineering law both as attorney and as consultant, and his services are sought wherever there are engineering enterprises of importance. His services have been sought, in some of their complication with the law, by companies, contractors, and financiers, connected with the largest operations the world has ever known, notably the Panama Canal, New York State Barge Canal, and others, being called on these as consultant. He has always practiced without a partner, and his deep knowledge of this special branch of the law was gained through self study and his own practice.

Mr. Holmes is a member of the American Bar Association; New York State Bar Association, having served on Law Reform Committee; Rensselaer County Bar Association; the Old Colony Club of New York City; Troy Club; Lake Placid Club, and the Society of Automobile Engineers of America.

He married, June 7, 1904, Bertha M. Snyder, of Troy, daughter of Albert B. and Francena (Younghans) Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes are the parents of two children: Alton R., and Virginia M.

ELMER E. STANTON—In the world of finance of Rensselaer county, New York, Elmer E. Stanton was a prominent figure, having been identified with the organization of the Pioneer Building Loan and Savings Association of Troy and with its growth and development throughout its entire history, also having been secretary of the organization for the past twenty-four years. Mr. Stanton was a native of the State of New York, and a son of Elijah R. and Amanda C. (Haynes) Stanton, esteemed farming people of Clinton county.

Elmer E. Stanton was born at Saranac, New York, March 15, 1862, and died July 1, 1923. His education was begun in the district schools of the countryside, and after completing the course, he taught for two years in the country schools. Coming to Troy in 1882, he took up a commercial course in the Troy Business College, securing a position immediately following his graduation. He had been a resident of this city up to the time of his death. His first employment was with A. E. Bonstell, and he remained with him until the year 1898, when a few months later he became secretary of the Pioneer Building and Loan Savings Association of Troy. Active in the development of this organization and one of the leading forces for its progress even in those early years, Mr. Stanton did much for the promotion of home ownership among the people in this city and vicinity. The duties of secretary were placed in his hands in 1899, and he filled them with ability continuously. The work of this office includes the management of the affairs of the organization, and the growth which the association enjoyed after Mr. Stanton became its secretary attested his large executive ability and progressive spirit. Mr. Stanton was vice-president of the New York State Land Bank from the time of its founding in 1914, and he was a past president of the New York State League of Building and Loan Associations.

A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Stanton took only the interest of the progressive citizen in public affairs, but lent his influence to all advance movements. Fraternally he was identified with Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and he was a member of the National Union, in which he held the highest office, that of Senator of New York State. He was ex-president of the local lodge of this order, and also served as delegate and committeeman at the National Congress of the same order. His religious affiliation was with the Fifth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Stanton married, on July 16, 1886, Jennie E. Booth, daughter of Joseph Booth, of Troy, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Ida F., educated in the Troy public schools and now the widow of Charles H. Stockwell, their only child being Ida E. 2. Florence J., educated in the Troy public and high schools, now the wife of Howard W. Meehan. 3. Harold E., educated in the Troy public and high schools and in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

FREDERICK A. SHOEMAKER, United States postmaster at Averill Park, New York, has held this Federal office since 1912. He was born at Averill Park, August 25, 1877, son of Peter and Catharine (Gula)

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Shoemaker. His father was a veteran of the Civil War, in which he served as a member of Company H, 169th Regiment, New York Volunteers, taking part in the fighting at Fort Fisher, where he was wounded.

Mr. Shoemaker received his education in the public schools of Averill Park. When his school days were over he began his business career by accepting a position in the local factory of Kane and Mahoney, manufacturers of knit goods. In this connection Mr. Shoemaker acquired an excellent knowledge of methods of production, conditions in industrial establishments, and the particular problems of the knit goods manufacturing industry. He remained with this firm until 1902, and met with complete success in his relations with his employers, but during the year 1902 he decided to seek a change of occupation, for a while at least, in order to increase his general experience and perhaps to find a field of business activity better suited to his abilities. He had no difficulty in forming a connection with the General Electric Company, and during the next five years devoted himself to a study of the possibilities for success and achievement afforded by the electrical industry. In 1907, however, he decided to return to his former occupation and left the General Electric Company, greatly to the regret of all his associates in that organization. He was given a position at the Faith Knitting Company, and remained with that concern until 1912, when he was appointed United States postmaster at Averill Park. Some time after his appointment in the postal service, Mr. Shoemaker established a general trucking business at Averill Park, and this enterprise he has successfully conducted up to the present time, managing its affairs and transacting a large volume of business each year in addition to fulfilling his duties as postmaster.

In politics Mr. Shoemaker is a Republican. He has always been a staunch supporter of Republican principles, and his appointment to the Federal office he now holds was a cause of satisfaction to his fellow citizens of all parties. A far-sighted and progressive member of the community, Mr. Shoemaker has set an example of devoted and self-sacrificing service in his administration of the post office. He is a great believer in modern methods and maintains the utmost efficiency in all branches of the service. He is not less concerned with other political issues however, and in any political discussion his opinion and judgment are certain to be received with respect, if not always with complete agreement. In religious faith Mr. Shoemaker is a member of the Baptist church. He is a Mason, and holds membership in the Blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, and in the Mt. Zion Lodge, at Troy.

Mr. Shoemaker married, at Averill Park, on September 27, 1899, Ora M. Hack, daughter of Edmund M. and Ellen F. Hack. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker have eleven children: Pearl E., who was born October 4, 1900; Florence M., born August 2, 1902; Edmund M., born July 25, 1904, and who is named for his mother's father; Clara Belle, born June 29, 1906; Frederick A., Jr., born June 5, 1908; Harry G,. born November 28, 1909; Frank H., born September 2, 1911; Ora M., born May 21, 1913, and who is named for her mother; Clarence E., born September 5, 1915; Ruth E., born July 3, 1917; and George D., who was born August 9, 1919.

HENRY (HARRY) ESMOND CLINTON is the son of Lawrence and Mary F. Dolan, of Troy, New York, both of whom are deceased. Lawrence Clinton was born in Dublin, Ireland, coming to America when he was very young with his brothers: Charles, Henry, John, James, George, Dewitt and Frank, and his sisters: Mary and Margaret. He married, at Troy, New York, January, 1876, Mary F. Dolan, who was born at Mooers, New York. The issue of the marriage was: Henry (Harry) E., of further mention; and Mary G.

Henry (Harry) E. Clinton, an attorney-at-law of Troy, received his education at St. Lawrence's German School, and later entered the La Salle Institute, of Troy, New York, graduating with the class of 1898. He then took up the study of law in the law offices of King & King, in the city of Troy. Later he entered Union University, where he remained a short period and was transferred to the Albany Law School (Union University), graduating with the class of 1901 and receiving his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He tried the bar examination and was admitted to practice law both in the United States courts and New York State courts in 1902. He became associated in the practice of law with Thomas F. Bowers, of the city of Troy, and remained there until the year of 1915, and then engaged in the practice of his profession for himself and is now located in the Savings Bank building in the city of Troy, New York.

Mr. Clinton is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Union Chapter of the Delta Chi fraternity, a charter member of the Delta Chi Corporation of Albany, New York, and also a member of the Albany Law School Alumni.

Mr. Clinton married (first) September 25, 1908, Mary T. Egan, daughter of Martin and Mary Egan, of Troy, New York, both deceased. Three sons were born to this marriage: T. Powers, Harry E., Jr., and Lawrence A. In March, 1915, Mrs. Clinton died, and Mr. Clinton married (second), on July 19, 1917, Genevieve Otterson, of Troy, New York.

OTTO J. SWENSSON—As president of one of the leading manufacturing industries of Troy, New York, Otto J. Swensson holds a prominent position in the business life of Rensselaer county. A man of wide interests along many and varied lines of advance, Mr. Swensson is perhaps one of the best-known of the local industrial executives. He is a native of the State of Pennsylvania, and a son of Emil and Catherine (Jordan) Swensson. The father came to the United States when a young man from Sweden, in 1879, and settled near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; he died May 13, 1919. The mother's people lived in Pennsylvania for two generations.

Otto J. Swensson was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in April, 1885. His early education was acquired in the common schools of the city of Pittsburgh. He then entered Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh, then choosing his present line of endeavor as his life work,

he came to Troy to enter the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, from which he was graduated in the class of 1909, with the degree of Civil Engineer. Thereafter going to New York City, he acted as engineer on the Catskill Aqueduct for about two years, after which he became assistant to the chief engineer of the highway department of Manhattan borough, in which connection he was engaged for three years. His next affiliation was as assistant county engineer of Bergen county, New Jersey, then he spent one year as city engineer of Summit, New Jersey, then returned to Pittsburgh, where he was employed when the United States entered the World War. During the years 1917, 1918 and 1919, Mr. Swensson was employed as technical engineer in the ship yards along the Atlantic coast for the United States Government, with headquarters at Philadelphia. When his duties in this connection were no longer required, he came to Troy and entered the employ of the present place, beginning at the bottom and learning the business in all its details. His rise was rapid, and in 1921 he bought out the owner and has since been president of the concern which is known as the Troy File Works. This enterprise was established nearly a century ago on the same site as the present, in 1831. New buildings have from time to time been built around the original structure and the enterprise stands now among the leaders in allied interests in this city. The concern was incorporated first in 1895 and its growth since that time has been more marked than in earlier years. They now occupy a triangular space of about 100x100x200, this land fully improved. They are modernly equipped with both water and electric power and employ about fifty skilled hands. They make nothing but files and file handles and ship to every State in the United States, as well as to many foreign countries. This concern is probably one of the oldest of its kind in the country and Mr. Swensson holds among the most honored traditions of the plant the high standard of integrity, which he is now carrying forward as the present head.

In his profession, Mr. Swensson stands high and holds membership in the American Society of Engineers and the Rensselaer Society of Engineers. He is a member of the various organizations of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, which include the Theta Nu Epsilon, the Sigma Phi and the Phalanx. He keeps in close touch with the progress of the institute, having been very active in its social and athletic organizations, and is still a writer for the Polytechnic student publication. During his undergraduate days he was a member of the football team, also the basketball and hockey teams, of which last two mentioned he was manager. He was the first manager to take any of the teams on long trips, the first having been to Pittsburgh, and he has the distinction of having taken the first relay team to Philadelphia in 1920. He is a member of the Eastern Alumni Association of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and also of the General Alumni Association of the same institution. He has three times served as president of the eastern association. Mr. Swensson is a member of the Rotary Club and is very active in its work, espe-

cially for boys. He is chairman, having in charge the scout camp now in course of construction by the Rotarians of Troy, and is further affiliated with the Boy Scout movement as commissioner of the local council, in which office he has served for three years. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, the Troy Industrial Club, and an honorary member of the Craftsman Club. He is very prominent fraternally, holding membership in King Solomon Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is assistant drill master; Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; a thirty-second degree Mason, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Swensson married, on October 24, 1911, Ethel Belle Leggett, of Troy, daughter of Joseph A. Leggett, now deceased, who was a man of exemplary and upright character. Mr. and Mrs. Swensson have two children: Joseph L., born in September, 1913, and Ann, born September 25, 1921.

W. YATES LANSING, former president of the Board of Trade of Rensselaer, New York, is a member of one of the pioneer families of the State, his ancestors having settled at Cohoes, New York, in the early days, when Albany county, in which Cohoes is situated, was as yet barely reclaimed from the wilderness. He was born at Glen, Montgomery county, New York, August 13, 1878, son of Abraham C. and Elizabeth (Yates) Lansing. His father was the owner and proprietor of a splendid farm at Glen, and Mr. Lansing has always considered himself fortunate in having been born and brought up amid the thriving and beneficial activities of a well-ordered household.

Mr. Lansing received his preliminary education in the public schools of his native town. During his high school days his unusual organizing and managing ability became manifest and he decided to proceed to a business college and to acquire a thorough commercial training rather than to engage in the study of liberal arts at an academic institution. His father approved of this plan and accordingly, after his graduation from Johnstown High School, he became a student at the Albany Business College, at Albany. Here he devoted himself to his studies with remarkable energy and perseverence, and by acquiring a sound knowledge of business fundamentals, laid the foundation of his future success.

When his training was completed, Mr. Lansing went to New York City in the hope of broadening his experience and of forming an advantageous business connection. He had no difficulty in finding an opening and became a bookkeeper in the business offices of the Reform Church of America, of which both he and his family were devoted members. He spent some time in the service of the church in New York and might have remained in that metropolis and continued his work for the church indefinitely, had he not been impelled to return to a part of the State nearer his birthplace and his early home. After careful con-

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sideration he came to the city of Rensselaer and invested his capital in a half interest in the C. G. Han Coal Company. The wisdom of this step was abundantly proved by the success which immediately attended his work, and by the end of the first two years he felt justified in acquiring full control of the business. Upon assuming control of the business, Mr. Lansing changed its name to W. Yates Lansing, and by this name it is known to-day. Mr. Lansing has a large volume of yearly sales in the coal department of the business, but the building materials branch is perhaps the most important. Under his management the business has grown greatly in size and its continued expansion has more than once necessitated the building and alteration of the offices and yards. At the present time his plant is generally recognized as a model in equipment; its transportation facilities are unrivalled, its buildings provide the best possible arrangement for such an enterprise, and its yards are sufficiently extensive to permit the proper storing of coal and the various building materials in which the firm specializes. Among members of the trade, builders, contractors, and coal consumers, he has an established reputation for the high quality of the commodities in which he deals, and for the prompt, careful, and courteous service upon which Mr. Lansing insists. Mr. Lansing, as one of the most prominent members of the business world of Rensselaer county, enjoys a position of authority and is generally regarded as one of the city's most substantial citizens.

Mr. Lansing is a member of the New York State Builders' Supply Association, and of the North-Eastern Lumbermen's Association. An active members of the Board of Trade of Rensselaer, he is at present holding office as vice-president of that organization. He is also a director of the New York State Builders' Supply Association, and secretary of the Albany Coal Association. He is a member of the Republican party in politics, and takes an active interest in State and national issues, making his influence felt on the side of progress in all legislative matters. Mr. Lansing finds a great deal of pleasure and recreation in motoring, and organized the first automobile club in Rensselaer and was president for several years. In addition to all his other interests, Mr. Lansing is a practical farmer. He has never ceased to enjoy farm life and agricultural work, and not long after he came to Rensselaer, he purchased a small farm comprising several acres of the finest agricultural land in the county. He spends as much of his time as possible on this farm, and is an exponent of the most scientific methods applied to agriculture. He takes a great interest in the work of the United States Government, carried on through the Department of Agriculture, and is a vigorous supporter of the government's plans for raising the standards of American farm products, improving the living conditions among farmers in isolated districts, and safeguarding our crops by the maintenance of rigid quarantine for suspected livestock and plants so that no insect or fungoid pest may be allowed to reach these shores from foreign ports. Needless to say, he is a member of the Grange, and is an active supporter of the work carried on among farmers by this organization. He belongs to Pomona

Grange, of Rensselaer county, and to the Rensselaer Farm Bureau. In religious faith he is a member of the Reform church, being affiliated with the congregation of the First Reform Church, of Rensselaer. He was born and brought up amid an atmosphere of deep religious feeling and has, as a result of his work for the church in New York City, an authoritative and profound knowledge of the religious and humanitarian work it is carrying on throughout the country and in foreign lands. He was a deacon of the church, and served as superintendent of the Sunday school, in which he personally taught a class of students, whose devotion to him as a teacher speaks volumes for the strengths of his convictions and the power of his teaching, which, based as it is upon profound personal study and experience, cannot fail to encourage and to inspire those to whom it is addressed.

ALBERT M. WRIGHT, M. D. S., F. A. C. D., has for many years held a leading position in the dental profession in Rensselaer county, New York, and his appointment to the New York State Board of Dental Examiners thirty-eight years ago was at the time considered a just and wise recognition of merit. His long service in this connection has had much to do with the high standard upheld by the board, and for nearly twenty years he has served this body as president.

Dr. Wright is a native of Cambridge, New York, and a son of Sidney W. and Maria Cramer (Savage) Wright, his people for many years having been active in farming; both parents are now deceased. Born August 26, 1848, Albert M. Wright as a boy attended the district schools near his farm home, then later became a student at Cambridge (New York) Academy, leaving the farm when about fifteen years of age. Following his preparatory course at the academy, the young man took up the study of dentistry with Dr. Cotton, of Cambridge, New York, and continued his studies under Dr. Young, of Troy. Eventually entering the University of the State of New York, he received a degree from that institution and began practicing in Troy in the year 1869. First associating with Dr. O. R. Young, at No. 24 Third street, although not in the way of a partnership, he was thus engaged for some years, then removed to No. 38 Third street, where he continued until 1901. In that year he removed to his present commodious office and residence. At different times during his career Dr. Wright has taken post-graduate work along the lines of his profession and has thereby kept a step ahead of his contemporaries. His leadership was recognized by his appointment in 1885 to the body which was then known as the New York State Board of Censors, but which ten years later took its present name of the New York State Board of Dental Examiners. His work with this body has been eminently constructive and has given to the profession in this State, an impetus toward higher achievement and loftier ideals. His election to the presidency of the board in 1904 was considered only a further recognition of his usefulness and an award of well-earned honors. Dr. Wright has entire charge of the practical and theoretical examinations of all oral hygienists entering this State for licensing examinations.

The doctor is past president of the Third District Dental Society of New York State and is past president of New York State Dental Society. He was formerly a member of the Troy Microscopical Society, also of Troy Scientific Association, and is one of the foremost figures in the profession in New York State, as a fellow of the American College of Dentists. He was a member of the Pafraets Deal Club, but of recent years his time has been so fully occupied as to compel him to resign his membership in this organization. Fraternally Dr. Wright is identified with King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is past high priest; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masons; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, of which he was prelate; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Dr. Wright's chief recreations have always been such as have taken him out into the open, and he particularly delights in agricultural activities.

Dr. Wright married, on August 6, 1880, Mary Hart, of Stillwater, New York.

JOHN W. RICHARDS—As founder, editor, and manager of the Schaghticoke "Sun," one of the leading weeklies of Rensselaer county, John W. Richards has achieved a success which could be won only by a man of more than ordinary ability. In twenty-nine years he has made his publication one of the best-known in the county and has established an enviable reputation as the owner of a live news sheet which meets the needs and demands of the particular section to which it caters.

Mr. Richards is of Welsh and Irish descent and on the paternal side represents the third generation of druggists, his own career as a pharmacist having covered a period of fifteen years. His paternal grandparents were Richard, who was a successful pharmacist in New York City, and a native of Wales, and Sarah (Evans) Richards. John D. Richards, father of John W., was born in New York City, and died at Schaghticoke, January 4, 1876, at the early age of thirty-four years. He also was the owner of a prosperous pharmaceutical business and after his death his wife continued the business to the time of her death, which occurred April 28, 1885, when she was forty-three years of age.

John W. Richards was born in Schaghticoke, New York, May 13, 1865, and received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district. Even before his school training was completed he became his mother's assistant in the drug store and when school days were over gave his full time to that business. After the death of his mother in 1885, he became the sole owner and manager of the business and continued to successfully conduct that enterprise until 1900, when he sold it to A. N. VanBuren. Meantime, on July 20, 1894, Mr. Richards had established another enterprise. He founded the weekly publication known as the Schaghticoke "Sun," in connection with F. M. Askins, and since 1898 he has continued to be sole owner, manager and editor to the present time (1923). The qualities of Mr. Richard's ability is evi-

denced by the fact that in the years which have passed since that time he has made this paper one of the leading publications of its kind in the county. His subscription list has steadily increased and he is known as the editor of one of the largest news publications of the State.

Politically he gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party and has always taken an active part in its affairs. From 1891 to 1895 he served as town clerk; for two terms he served as president of the village; and for the past eighteen years he has served as village clerk. He has also rendered efficient service for the past fifteen years as clerk of the Board of Education. In all of these local public offices he has proven his devotion to the public welfare by independent and disinterested decisions and by faithful discharge of the duties of his office. Fraternally he is identified with Schaghticoke Lodge, No. 526, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist church of Schaghticoke, which he serves as a member of the official board.

John W. Richards married Mary H. Hewitt, on December 26, 1888, at Schaghticoke, New York, daughter of Henry and Emma C. (Osborne) Hewitt. Mr. and Mrs. Richards have no children. They reside in Schaghticoke.

WILLIAM F. POLK—It was more than fifty-four years ago that William F. Polk, a lad of thirteen years, became messenger boy in the employ of the Central National Bank of Troy. During the more than half century which has passed since that time he has been continuously identified with that institution and with its successor, the National City Bank of Troy, of which he is now cashier and a member of the board of directors.

Frederick Polk, father of William F. Polk, was born in Germany in 1829, and died in Watervliet, New York, in 1901. He came to the United States in 1858 and located in Watervliet, where he was engaged in the shoe business to the time of his death. He married Lizzetta Benton, also born in Germany, and they were the parents of five children: William F., of further mention; Charles F., formerly a wholesale drug merchant, now (1923) in the State Income Tax Department at Albany; Frederick B., a bookkeeper with the National City Bank of Troy; Catherine, of Watervliet; and Minnie, who married John D. Wersinger, of Watervliet.

William F. Polk was born in Germany, March 24, 1856, and was brought to this country by his parents when he was two years of age. He was educated in the schools of Watervliet, where his youth was spent, and when he was thirteen years of age found his first employment as messenger boy in the employ of the Central National Bank, of Troy. He was a faithful and energetic worker and was advanced as rapidly as his years would allow, becoming successively discount clerk, bookkeeper, receiving teller and paying teller. In 1905, when the Central National Bank was merged with the National City Bank of Troy, he was appointed paying teller of the merged interests. In 1908 he was appointed

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cashier, which responsible position he has now held for fifteen years. In 1918 he was elected a member of the board of directors. He has fairly won his way to the position he holds, having begun at the bottom, and through his own merit and ability risen to high and honorable rank in the business life of his city.

In Masonry, Mr. Polk has many affiliations, being a member of Evening Star Lodge, No. 75, Free and Accepted Masons, of Watervliet; of Hudson River Chapter, No. 262, Royal Arch Masons, of Watervliet; of Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters, of Troy; of Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, of Troy; and a Noble of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Troy, of which he is treasurer. He is a member and director of the Troy Club; trustee of Bethany Presbyterian Church, at Menands, New York; and an attendant of the Fifth Avenue Second Presbyterian Church, of Troy.

Mr. Polk married, July 6, 1881, Celestine Lundergan, daughter of John and Caroline (Foster) Lundergan, of Menands, and they are the parents of four children: 1. Rollin S., born January 1, 1883, and educated in Troy schools and State Normal College. He is now assistant cashier of the Tompkins County National Bank, of Ithaca, New York. He married Beth Crandall, of Troy, and has three daughters: Betsey, Peggy, and Mary C., and a son: Rollin S., Jr. 2. John L., born March 2, 1885, and educated in Troy Schools, State Normal College, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, now head chemist with the American Linseed Oil Company, at their Chicago (Illinois) plant. He married Anna Bell Patteson, of Buffalo, New York, and they have four children: Charles J., Eleanor, William F. (2), and John L., Jr. 3. Caroline, educated at State Normal College and Emma Willard School, Troy; married William H. Bosworth, Jr., of Florence, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Bosworth are the parents of two children: William H. (3), and Virginia Polk. 4. Emma, educated at State Normal College and Emma Willard School; she married Robert C. Switzer, of Menands, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Switzer are the parents of four children: Robert C. (2), William Polk, Emma Ruth, and Warren M., who died in infancy.

JOHN J. HARTIGAN— One of the longest established and best-known merchants of Troy, New York, is John J. Hartigan, who began his mercantile career in his native city in 1867 and is still actively engaged in business there, enjoying a success richly deserved and well-earned. For fifty-six years he has been identified with the dry goods business, beginning as an employee of George Bristol & Company and continuing with their successors, Church & Phalen, until he engaged in business for himself thirty-five years ago. He is a native son of Troy, and his entire business life has been spent in that city, where he has won the high esteem of his fellow-citizens, not only as an eminently able and successful business man, but as a public-spirited citizen, and a man of sterling qualities of character.

John J. Hartigan is a grandson of Richard Hartigan, of County Lim-

erick, Ireland, a farmer who lived and died in his native land. Richard Hartigan's son, Maurice Hartigan, born in Limerick, Ireland, in 1824, came to the United States in 1849 and settled in Troy, New York, where he became identified with the city's business affairs and became a successful grocer. He took an active part in local public affairs, and served as supervisor and alderman from the Eighth Ward for many years. Maurice Hartigan married, in Troy, Ellen Hogan, also born in Limerick, Ireland. Both were devoted members of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

John J. Hartigan, second of five children of Maurice and Ellen (Hogan) Hartigan, was born in Troy, New York, October 31, 1853, and there was educated, finishing in La Salle Institute. He began his business career with the dry goods firm of George Bristol & Company and with that house spent twenty-one years, 1867-1888. During that period he rose to a prominent position and when finally he decided to enter business life, it was as a man well-experienced and capable.

In 1888 he opened a dry goods store on King street, Troy, and there continued to conduct a successful business for twenty years. As the business grew he opened branch stores on Congress street, Troy, and in Schenectady and Amsterdam, New York. These branches he operated until 1909, when he disposed of them. Since that time he has devoted his entire time to the store in Troy. In 1912 Mr. Hartigan met the demands of his greatly increased business in Troy by removing to larger quarters, at No. 366 River street, his present location.

Private business affairs have not absorbed Mr. Hartigan's entire time, but on the contrary he has in a public-spirited way aided in the development of his native city and is particularly interested in the work of the Troy Chamber of Commerce which he now serves as chairman of the Committee on Waterways. He is an earnest advocate of deep waterways, and is doing all in his power to arouse the people of the State of New York to the importance of deepening channels by dredging, and of counteracting the slow, but deadly work of the natural processes which convert vigorous streams into dying rivers, staggering from side to side over a grass-grown bed. He is a director of the New York State Waterways Association; a member of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, in both of which organizations he is rendering efficient service. He was chairman of the harbor and dock committee of the Troy Chamber of Commerce while the barge canal, and the State dam, channel, and lock on the east side of the Hudson were being constructed, and went to Washington, District of Columbia, to further the enterprise. At a meeting of this committee with the Secretary of War and engineers, Mr. Hartigan urged the building of the locks and placing of the channels on the east side of the river. At that time they were disposed to have the locks on the west side of the river, and Mr. Hartigan urged the Secretary of War and engineers to place the locks and channels on the east side, as Troy should receive this consideration. In the affairs of the city of Troy he takes an active part. He was president of the Tri-City League (Troy, Albany and Schenectady), a body which had charge of all mat-

ters of mutual interest to the three cities. In the early days of the independent telephone business Mr. Hartigan was treasurer of the Commercial Telephone Company, of Troy, and president of the Rensselaer Telephone Company, and of the Granville (New York) Telephone Company, all of which were later absorbed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. He is now vice-president of the Troy & Albany Steamboat Company. During the period of the participation of the United States in the World War, 1917-1918, and for some time following, he served as purchasing agent for the Rensselaer County Chapter of the Red Cross and was active in all the "drives" of that period. He also served as the most efficient captain of the team appointed to raise $100,000 for the Troy Hospital; is a member of the board of directors of the Pawling Sanitarium; and vice-president of the Salvation Army Auxiliary. In community and municipal enterprises he is always one of the most active. During the Home Week and the Hudson-Fulton celebrations he served as chairman of the music committee. He is president of La Salle Institute, and fraternally is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Politically he gives support to the Democratic party, and his religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Catholic Church.

John J. Hartigan married (first), in 1883, Elizabeth Clogan, who died in 1907, leaving a daughter, Helen, a graduate of Emma Willard's School and now the wife of Frank L. Roche, of Troy. A daughter, Frances H., died at the age of eight years. Mr. Hartigan married (second), February 1, 1910, Alice Grace, of Troy. The family residence is No. 256 Washington street, and the summer home at Crystal Lake.

THEODORE L. ST. JOHN—For more than forty years the late Dr. Theodore L. St. John was a practicing physician at Center Brunswick, New York, maintaining his professional activities until his death on October 4, 1922. Dr. St. John came originally from Saratoga county, where he was born July 6, 1848, his parents being Thomas Taylor, a minister of the Baptist church, and Olive (Cole) St. John. The family were residents of Milton at the time of his birth. During his boyhood he attended the schools of his home community and later was graduated from the Albany Normal School, for a time engaging in teaching at Peekskill. His desire was to become a physician however, and in pursuance of this ambition he entered the Albany Medical College, receiving his degree from that institution in 1878. Two years later he came to Center Brunswick, began the practice of his profession and remained there throughout the balance of his life.

His long and successful practice brought him in contact with the people of his community in that intimate way in which only a loved and respected physician is received, and his passing was deeply mourned by the entire countryside which he served so faithfully. Dr. St. John was a man of progressive character and never allowed himself to get out of touch with the best and most modern developments of his profession. He was a valued member not only of the County and State Medical associa-

tions, but also of the American Medical Association. While he was deeply interested in social and civic affairs and at all times gave the weight of his influence to every project designed to improve the welfare of the community, he was not a seeker after position, preferring to devote his energies to his profession, and assisting personally and individually those with whom he came in constant contact.

Dr. St. John married, in Sodus, Wayne county, New York, on April 11, 1878, Caroline Augusta Filkens, daughter of William and Mary (Van Heusen) Filkens. Five children were born to them, all but one of whom William J., the youngest, are now living. The names of the surviving members are: Mary F.; Theodore Raymond, who is practicing law in New York; Warren W., who is also a physician; and Olive, wife of Walter R. Film, of Center Brunswick.

WILLIAM E. WEIR—The career of William E. Weir is a marked example of single-handed achievement. Beginning without means or influence, he has won his way step by step to a position of large success and now stands as one of the foremost men in real estate brokerage and development in Eastern New York State, and is the president of the Troy Real Estate Board.

Mr. Weir was born in Philmont county, New York, and came to Troy at the age of nine years. He attended the public schools of this city, and at the age of thirteen years he entered the world of men and affairs and for the first decade found life an up-hill struggle. His first employment was in the old Boston Store, of Troy, and he continued in other mercantile establishments of the city until he was eighteen years of age. His ambition, however, reached forward to some more definite achievement than mercantile activity, and from this time on, for several years, he divided his attention, working for a salary during a part of the time and during the balance of the time establishing and building up an independent interest in the sale and brokerage of real estate. The first few years of his experience in this field fired him with ambition to master the intricacies of the real estate business, and in order to gain a broader grasp of affairs he frequently went to New York City while continuing his real estate business here in Troy. Identifying himself in this part-time activity with old established real estate firms of New York, he gained a comprehensive knowledge of the underlying principles involved, and with this broadly practical equipment, began to devote his entire attention to his Troy office. He has been largely successful, handling many important transfers of real estate and doing much along development lines. His operations have been chiefly in business property, and he has made a specialty of chain store real estate development, in which he has done remarkable work. Mr. Weir was one of the founders of Lindenwood Park, one of the finest of the new residential sections of Troy, of which he was one of the early promoters.

Mr. Weir has gone beyond his personal interests in his chosen field of activity, having worked ceaselessly for the betterment of conditions in

the real estate world of Troy. He was one of the moving spirits in the organization of the Troy Real Estate Board, bringing about its formation, and he has served this body as its first and only president. Mr. Weir has done much for the city of his residence in the improvement and development of various sections, both central and suburban, and he is now one of the most influential men in his business group in Rensselaer county. He is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Dealers, a member of the New York Real Estate Board, and a member and president of the Troy Real Estate Board. Politically, Mr. Weir supports the Democratic party, but his business so largely occupies his attention that he has never thus far accepted the honors or emoluments of public office. He has few interests which do not align with his business activities, but is a member of the Troy Young Men's Christian Association, and is fond of hunting, fishing, automobiling and traveling.

Mr. Weir married Agnes Winifred Fox, daughter of Joseph Fox, of Troy, and they are the parents of one son, William Cooper Weir, born February 15, 1923.

JOSEPH F. HOGAN—One of the most widely-known men of the city of Troy, New York, is Joseph F. Hogan, who has for many years been a leader in the public life of this city, as well as an active executive in the business progress of Rensselaer county. A man of broad vision, alert to all phases of civic, social and economic advance, Mr. Hogan has made himself eminently useful in the community and has been the means of bringing about many progressive movements which have resulted in great good for the people. He is a son of Joseph and Margaret (Gleason) Hogan, both natives of Ireland, who came to this country in their youth and settled at Troy, where they spent their remaining years and where they both died.

Joseph F. Hogan was born in Troy, New York, May 4, 1857, within a block of where he now lives. His education was received in the Ninth Ward schools of Troy, and at the age of fourteen years he entered the employ of the Troy Stamping Works. He later became identified with the Rensselaer Iron Works, and still later worked for a time for the Clinton Foundry, eventually returning to the Rensselaer Iron Works, where he remained for a considerable period. While he was engaged in the iron industry, Hogan Lodge, No. 1, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers of America, was formed. This was named for Mr. Hogan, who was made their president, serving in that capacity from the organization in 1879 until 1882. He was at that time also an active member of the Knights of Labor. In the eighties he left the iron industry and became traveling and local salesman in the employ of John A. Healey, a Troy produce merchant, who was then active on a large scale in this city. Mr. Hogan was thereafter identified in turn with the Isenhardt Brewing Company and the Ruscher Brewing Company for a time, and was associated with the latter concern when he was elected mayor of Troy.

In the public service Mr. Hogan has for fully thirty years been a

leader of progress. He was first elected alderman from the Ninth Ward in 1893 and served in that capacity for a decade. During the greater part of this time he filled the very responsible position as chairman of the auditing committee, the importance of this committee being self-evident. He also served on the railway committee, and his record on the Board of Aldermen gave him such high standing in the esteem and confidence of the people that in the year 1903 he was elected mayor of the city of Troy for the two succeeding years. Mr. Hogan's work in this, the highest local office in the gift of the people, was in a very marked degree constructive and commendable, and regardless of party affiliations or convictions, the people acclaimed him as a broadly progressive and forward-reaching executive with the interest of the public at heart. For some years after the expiration of his term of service as mayor, Mr. Hogan accepted no further official responsibilities, but was selected as delegate to the Democratic State Convention, held at Syracuse, New York, at which Governor Smith was nominated.

In 1907 he became interested in the insurance business, also taking over this district for the Casualty Insurance Company of America, and was engaged along this line until the year 1913. Meanwhile, the Forbes Manor Realty Company had been formed, in 1905, Mr. Hogan becoming a stockhelder, and in 1913 he was elected secretary of this corporation. He still fills this office and is active in the advance of the corporation. In 1922 he also founded the Troy Fire Alarm Service, Inc., of which he is president and treasurer; the former of these interests has made interesting history in real estate affairs in Rensselaer county, and the latter concern is promising great things in the way of useful development. In January, 1923, Mr. Hogan was recalled to important public service by his appointment by the Troy Board of Education as superintendent of repairs of public school buildings, and he is the first to serve in this responsible office, as it was created at that time. The need of such an executive has long been felt by the local Board of Education, and the securing of Mr. Hogan's service in this capacity is felt to be something for which the cause of education locally may be congratulated. Although Mr. Hogan has many years of usefulness to his credit, and long experience and activity in various lines of endeavor, the years have only served to give him breadth of view and a large optimism, and in spite of advancing years, he is full of the enthusiasm of youth. Mr. Hogan is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the North End Rod and Gun Club, and his chief recreative interest is in out-door sports, particularly hunting and fishing, in which he was quite noted in earlier years.

Mr. Hogan married, on January 17, 1889, Helen Curry, of Troy, daughter of Patrick and Helen (McCann) Curry. Their beautiful home, at No. 336 Third street, was erected in 1909, and is the center of a large and brilliant social group.

JAMES S. HAYDEN—Born in and a life-time resident of Troy, and for more than twenty years connected with the official life of the city,

Mr. Hayden is "Jim" to every Troyan who has lived in the city any length of time. He is a son of Stephen and Rose (O'Gorman) Hayden, both deceased, his father an ironworker.

James S. Hayden was born in Troy, New York, April 17, 1874. His education was obtained in the La Salle Institute, from which he graduated in 1889. He then faced the problem of earning a livelihood, but did not abandon his studies, on the contrary, he worked a little harder and finally accomplished an education that admitted him to Albany Law School, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1914. He had financed this period of study and when he left law school with his degree, he could feel the satisfaction that can only come when through his own efforts he sees his hopes end in fruition.

Mr. Hayden at once secured admission to the Rensselaer county bar and began practice in Troy, where he has since conducted a general law practice. On January 9, 1904, he became associated with the city Department of Charities, and is yet a member of that department, his particular office, overseer of the poor. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. He is also a member of Troy Council of Knights of Columbus, fourth degree; Vega Caravan, Order of Alhambra; and Rensselaer County Bar Association.

JOHN I. SEWELL is one of the successful business men of Rensselaer county, and for the past twenty years has been the owner and manager of a steadily growing flour, feed, coal, and farm produce business. Mr. Sewell is well-known in Masonic circles and takes an active part in local public affairs.

Mr. Sewell is a son of Robert, who is engaged in farming in West Cambridge, and of Ruth Ann (Rundell) Sewell. He was born in Cambridge, Washington county, New York, December 20, 1872, and after receiving a good, practical education in the public schools, including the high school, of Cambridge, he became a student in Troy Business College, where he received a careful commercial training. When his course in the business college was completed, he became interested in the farm produce business and after a time established a business of his own in South Cambridge. In 1903 he purchased the old and well-known concern of Byron Clark, which had been established in 1863, and that enterprise he has been successfully conducting to the present time (1923). He carries a complete line of flour, feed, coal, and farm produce, and has made a reputation for fair dealing and for high-grade quality of goods. His patronage comes from all over the township, and the number of those who purchase their flour, feed and coal from him is steadily increasing. He buys from the farmers of the surrounding country and sells farm produce to the people of Johnsonville. From the beginning Mr. Sewell has taken an active interest in the affairs of the Republican party, to which he gives his honest support. In 1922 he was elected supervisor of Rensselaer county and he has also served as fire commissioner.

During the World War he served as chairman of the board which managed the Liberty Loan "drives," and he has always been ready to give both of his time and his means for the furtherance of all projects for the advancement of the public welfare. In Masonic circles he is well-known, being a member of Victor Lodge, No. 680, Free and Accepted Masons, of Schaghticoke; of Chapter No. 248, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar, of Troy, in which body he holds the position of standard bearer; and of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church. Mr. Sewell is well-known and highly esteemed among a host of friends who are associated with him in a business way and in social activities, and he is recognized as one of the energetic and progressive citizens of Johnsonville.

Mr. Sewell married, in Buskirk, New York, September 24, 1896, Hattie Skiff, daughter of Samuel M. and Martha (Edie) Skiff. Mr. and Mrs. Sewell have no children. They reside in Johnsonville, New York.

WILLIAM B. MADDEN—In the lumber business in Rensselaer county, New York, William B. Madden holds a largely important position, and the yards and plant of which he is now the principal owner comprise a historic feature of the city of Troy, having been devoted to similar interests for nearly a century and a quarter. Mr. Madden is a member of a family long established in Troy, and his father, William Madden, was one of the early undertakers of that city. He was also a skilled cabinetmaker, and carried on the two interests in conjunction, the undertakers in that day making their own caskets. He was a man of large ability and public-spirited, widely-known in the community and universally esteemed, and his death, which occurred in 1880, removed from the community such a man as no city can afford to spare. The mother, Elizabeth (Tomlinson) Madden, died in 1897. They were the parents of two sons: William B., of further mention; and George C., who died in 1892, leaving three daughters: Jestina, Gratia, and Florence. The two older daughters are married, and the youngest is a teacher in the Emma Willard School of Troy, of which she is a graduate.

William B. Madden, son of William and Elizabeth (Tomlinson) Madden, was born in Troy, New York, December 11, 1859. His education was acquired in the local public schools and Troy Academy, which he attended until he had completed the course. As a young man he was variously employed until 1883. In that year, in association with his brother, George C. Madden, William B. Madden bought the present lumber yard, then a small and unimportant business in comparison with its present development. While the Maddens took over this interest as recently as forty years ago, it is probably the oldest retail lumber yard in Northern New York State. Mr. Madden has in his possession a lease executed by Levinas Lansing, the first justice of the peace in Rensselaer county, and John Rutherford, who presumably was a non-resident of this county. By this document the property now occupied by the present mill and

office was leased to parties whose names are undecipherable, for the sum of six pounds per year for a lumber yard and this paper was drawn up in the year 1803. The property was even prior to that date used as a wood or lumber yard, but it clearly was conducted as a regular business from 1803 forward. It passed into different hands at various stages in its history before it was acquired by the Madden brothers, and it is since William B. Madden owned it that the business has received its present importance. The plant is now one of the large and prosperous ones in this part of New York State, and is located on First avenue. The concern controls three different plots of ground, the large mill and offices are on a site 300x150 feet, and two storage plants are respectively 75x150 feet and 125x140 feet. They also have a large plant in Schenectady, New York, 220x200 feet in area. All these properties are fully improved and the company distributes their product throughout the entire capital district of the State of New York. They have their own railway siding and handle every kind of lumber, rough and finished, employing forty hands. In the year 1899 the company was incorporated and the present officers are: William B. Madden, president and treasurer; W. H. Barry, vice-president; and G. M. Dusenbury, secretary. William B. Madden, as the head of this important enterprise, holds a seat in the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is identified with the Northeastern New York State Retail Dealers' Association. He is a member of the Troy Club, and his chief interest in the way of recreation is golf, which he has played for twenty years, holding membership in the Van Schaick Island Golf Club. He also takes pleasure in motor touring.

William B. Madden married Elizabeth Seward, of New York City, who died in November, 1921, leaving one child, Beatrice, who was educated in the public and high schools of Troy and the Emma Willard School. She became the wife of George Y. Fenton, and they have two daughters: Marion, and Elizabeth. Another daughter of William B. and Elizabeth (Seward) Madden, Marion Seward, died at the age of seven years.

CHARLES SPAULDING ALDRICH, a successful attorney of Rensselaer county, New York, is a native of Vermont, and a son of Charles F. and Abbie Louise (Spaulding) Aldrich, farming people of that State, both now deceased.

Charles Spaulding Aldrich was born on the homestead farm at Weathersfield, Vermont, April 1, 1871. His education was begun in the district schools of the countryside, and he later attended Vermont Academy, at Saxtons River, Vermont. His ambitions comprehended higher attainments, and entering Brown University, at Providence, Rhode Island, he worked his way through that institution, graduating in 1894 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For two years thereafter Mr. Aldrich served as director of physical education at Wesleyan University, at the same time taking a post-graduate course at that university. Wesleyan University conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts in 1896, and

coming to Troy, he completed his legal studies here and was admitted to the bar in 1897. Immediately upon his admittance to the bar, Mr. Aldrich became a member of the firm of Shaw, Bailey & Murphy, with whom he had covered his legal studies. He has since practiced his profession very successfully, devoting most of his time to real estate and probate work, and is now counted among the foremost lawyers of the day in this part of the State. Mr. Aldrich is a member of the New York State Bar Association, the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and holds membership in the Delta Upsilon and the Phi Beta Kappa fraternities, both of Brown University, also a member of the Upper Hudson River Association of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, of which he is past president. He is a member and director of the Troy Chamber of Commerce and keeps in touch with the general advance of the city, although he has never thus far sought or accepted political honors. Mr. Aldrich is a director and counsel for the Pioneer Building Loan and Savings Association, and his activities in this connection have done much for the improvement and upbuilding of various sections of the city. He is a director of the Securities Properties Company, Inc., of Troy, New York; formerly director of the Union National Bank of Troy; a member and trustee of the Troy Club; a member of the Sons of the American Revolution; the Troy Citizens' Corps; and of the First Baptist Church, of which organization he is past president and now serves on the board of trustees.

Mr. Aldrich married, on September 10, 1897, Helen Parker Drake, of Manchester, New Hampshire, and they have one daughter, Adeline, who was educated in the Emma Willard School of Troy, and Wellesley College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1923.

HOMER O. WARREN, one of the proprietors and business manager of the Troy Business College, of this city, holds a prominent position in commercial education in Rensselaer county, and in fact, in the northern part of New York State. He identified himself with the Troy Business College as instructor in September, 1905. Three years later, in partnership with William H. Aderhold, he purchased the full interests of the school. Mr. Warren acts as business manager and has complete control of the executive office work of the school. He has charge of all enrollments and is advisor of students in outlining their courses. As such he has won a big place in the affections of many who have passed through the various courses of the school during the past eighteen years.

Mr. Warren was born in Ashtabula, Ohio, January 22, 1874. His early education was received in the public schools of his native city and he later attended Grand River Institute, taking a special course in banking and finance. He then entered the Spencerian College, of Cleveland, Ohio, and after completing the course at this famous school attended also two other commercial colleges. Upon graduating he entered the teaching profession and later established a business college in Ashtabula. After having brought the school to a very prosperous condition he disposed of

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his interests there. From Ashtabula he went to McKeesport for a time, after which he returned to his native city and accepted a position as accountant. In September, 1905, he came to Troy and assumed the principalship of the commercial department of the Troy Business College, and as before mentioned, in 1908 formed a partnership with his present associate, William H. Aderhold, who together purchased the school.

Mr. Warren is a member of the Private Business School Association of the United States, Commercial Travelers of America, the Troy Rotary Club and the Troy Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is also prominent, being a member of the Phoenix Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Iran Grotto; Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Fellowcraft Club. He is an officer and member of the River Street Church of Christ.

Mr. Warren married Minnie A. Kurtz, in 1908, and their marriage has been blessed with four children: Clarice Mae, William Elton, Leon Allen, and Julia Susan.

WILLIAM H. ADERHOLD, Mr. Warren's partner in the ownership of the Troy Business College, was born at Cogan Station, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1879, and there received his early education in the business schools. He later attended the Lycoming County Normal School and for four years taught in the public schools of the State of Pennsylvania. He then entered the Williamsport Commercial College at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and completed the combined business and stenographic course, after which he served for two years as principal of the commercial department of the American Commercial College, at Allentown, Pennsylvania.

In 1905 Mr. Aderhold came to Troy to accept a position as commercial instructor in the Troy Business College. The next two years he spent in study at the Phillips-Exeter Academy, at Exeter, New Hampshire, and in 1908, became sole owner and proprietor of the Troy Business College with Mr. Warren (see preceding sketch). Mr. Aderhold's energy and ability have had much to do with the growth and success of the school during the past fifteen years. His duties consist chiefly in looking after the welfare of the students during the time they are studying in the school and he also spends a great deal of his time and effort in securing desirable employment for graduates of the institution.

He is a member of the Commercial Travelers' Association of America, Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is vice-president of the Troy Rotary Club. He is also a member of Evening Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Hudson River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Iran Grotto. Mr. Aderhold is ruling elder and member of the Jermain Memorial Church, Watervliet, New York.

Mr. Aderhold married Carolyn R. Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Lee. Their family consists of two boys: William H., Jr., and Norman Eugene.

THE TROY BUSINESS COLLEGE was originally one of the Bryant, Stratton & Folsom chain, and opened in Troy, in 1858, in what was known as the Young building, No. 9 First street. It was incorporated under the name of the Troy Commercial College by a special act of Legislature April 12, 1871, but has continued under the name of the Troy Business College. In 1872 it was moved to the Troy Daily Times building. There on May 1, 1876, Thomas H. Shields and Harrison B. McCreary assumed the management of the institution. Two years later, February 10, 1878, the Times building burned and sessions were conducted in the building at No. 267 River street. This continued until May 1, 1878, when the quarters were again changed to Kennedy Hall, at No. 13 Third street.

On the death of Harrison B. McCreary, June 28, 1887, the proprietorship of the institution passed to Thomas H. Shields, who in May, 1881, removed it to the three-story brick building at No. 71-73 Fourth street, occupying the site of the old Presbyterian Session House, built more than one-half a century before. Here in large and handsomely furnished rooms more than 300 students were instructed annually in penmanship, bookkeeping, commercial banking, correspondence, stenography, typewriting and telegraphy. For a number of years Dr. Lucius Tuttle was associated with Mr. Shields in the management of the school. In 1902, on the death of Mr. Shields, Dr. Tuttle assumed full charge and became sole proprietor of the institution. On May 1, 1908, the school changed hands, when Messrs. Warren and Aderhold bought out the interest of Dr. Tuttle, under whose proprietorship the school had been conducted. On February 1, 1912, the school was again removed to the new Boardman building, where it now occupies the fourth and fifth floors of this modern fire-proof business structure. During the past fifteen years the school has grown from 300 to approximately 600 students annually.

JOHN P. JUDGE—Much of Mr. Judge's legal endeavors have been directed to public affairs in the city of Troy, New York, and since 1912 he has been assistant corporation counsel for this city. He was elected mayor by the Republican party for the coming term (1924).

John P. Judge was born in Troy, New York, and obtained an education in the local schools, including the high school. To fit himself for the practice of law he studied at the Albany Law School, and graduated from that institution, later being admitted to the bar. In addition to serving as assistant corporation counsel, he was at one time assistant police judge of the city. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association. His religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic church, being a member of St. Francis' Church.

Mr. Judge was united in marriage, January 16, 1905, with Jane Grace, and to this union three children were born: John, Grace and Alice.

BURT LUVERNE SHAW, Ph. G., M. D.—In professional circles in the city of Troy, New York, Dr. Shaw holds a position of marked prominence, having founded his success on an unusually comprehensive

training and having won his way to the foremost ranks of the medical profession. Dr. Shaw comes of an old New York State family, and is the son of John V. and Florence Elizabeth (Bundy) Shaw. The father was an important sawmill owner and a large operator in timber a generation ago, having cut off many large tracts of virgin timber land in Northern New York State. He is now deceased, but the mother is living.

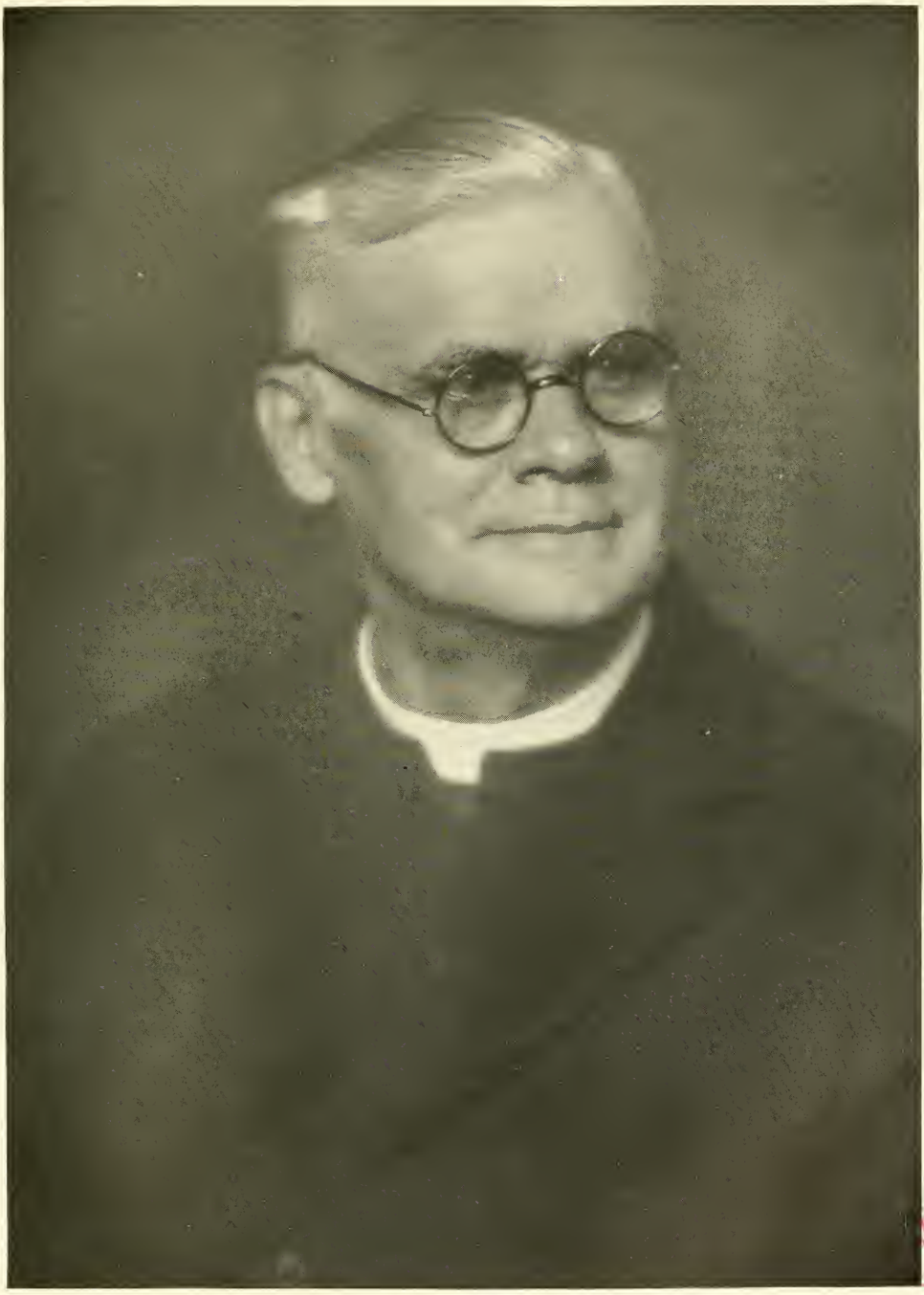
Burt Luverne Shaw was born at Smithville Flats, New York, June 1, 1874. Following his elementary studies at the nearby district schools, he attended Union School Academy, and later Waterford High School. Then entering the Albany School of Pharmacy, he was graduated from that institution in 1895 with the degree of Graduate Pharmacist. Entering the drug business in Lansingburg, New York, locating in the section which is now known as North Troy, he was employed as pharmacist until 1897, when he became the owner of the business which he carried forward until the year 1918. In the meantime Dr. Shaw had determined upon preparing for the medical profession and in 1900 he entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1904 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Then taking up the practice of his profession in Troy, he has continued active since with the exception of two periods of post-graduate studies. These he spent at the New York Post Graduate School, from 1907-11 and during 1912-13. With this rarely comprehensive training and experience Dr. Shaw has gone forward to large success in his chosen field of endeavor. He has served on the medical staff of the Leonard Hospital since the year 1909, and the medical staff of the Samaritan Hospital since 1919, and is still a leading figure in both institutions. Standing high in the profession, Dr. Shaw is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. He is a member of Phoenix Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Troy Commandery, Knights Templar; the Masonic Club, and the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. Dr. Shaw has won his own way to his present influential and successful position and has few interests outside his work.

Dr. Shaw married Gladys Anne Christopher, who was born in England, daughter of Walter and Emilene (Wallace) Christopher. She is a graduate of the Samaritan Hospital Training School for Nurses, class of 1906. Dr. and Mrs. Shaw have four children: Burt L.; Walter C.; Ann E.; and John B.

WILLIAM A. NIAL—More than usual prominence attaches to the name of William A. Nial, of Troy, New York, whose activities in the engineering world have carried him far and high. Added to his participation in some of the noteworthy engineering achievements of modern days in this country, he was active along this line in France during the World War, and since that time has been at the head of the bureau of water, city of Troy, New York, as superintendent and manager. Mr. Nial is a son of Matthew and Mary (Crough) Nial, both now deceased, the father for many years prominent in Rensselaer county as a contractor, with his interests centering in Troy.

William A. Nial was born in Troy, New York, August 27, 1876. His education was begun in the public schools of the city, and he was graduated from the Troy High School in the class of 1895. Thereafter entering the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, he was graduated from this institution in the class of 1899, with the degree of Civil Engineer. Mr. Nial at once became identified with the Chicago & Northwestern railway in the construction department, but continued in that connection for only a short time. He then entered the employ of the New York Central railway, where he was active in bridge design at different points for two and one-half years. Then spending seven years with the Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Company, he bore an active part as assistant engineer in their work of designing the Pennsylvania railroad terminal station in New York City. Returning to the city of Troy in the year 1910, Mr. Nial became actively associated as construction engineer with the Nial Brothers Construction Company, of which he was vice-president. This concern handled much of the important construction engineering which has so definitely marked the subsequent decade as one of the most significant in the history of Rensselaer county. In 1917 Mr. Nial resigned from this organization to enter the World War, and was commissioned captain of the Engineering Corps of the United States army. He served three months in the chief of engineer's office at Washington; three months as instructor in the Engineers' Officers' Training Camp; and seven months overseas, being discharged from the service June 1, 1919. On the first day of the following December, Mr. Nial took up the duties of his present position, thereby taking over the control and management of the system of water works of the city of Troy. He is proving his ability and special fitness for the position, meeting the problems of supply and distribution with far-sighted capability, and his incumbency is commented upon favorably alike by his professional contemporaries and the general public. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Water Works Association, the New England Water Works Association, the Rensselaer Society of Engineers, and the Troy Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally, Mr. Nial holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Knights of Columbus, both Troy lodges. His recreative interests follow the line of out-door sports, including tennis, boating, and hunting. Mr. Nial is a member of the Laureate Boat Club at the present time (1923), and was president of that organization for three years.

REV. EDWARD MICHAEL BRADY—In ecclesiastical circles in Troy, New York, Rev. Edward M. Brady is a distinguished and honored figure. His labors for the advancement of the parish of St. Francis, and the spiritual and material welfare of its people, count as one of the progressive influences of the day in this city, and his utterances on current topics, as well as on spiritual matters, are a constructive force in civic and social reform. Father Brady, in his religious activity of thirty-eight years, all within the boundaries of the State of New York, has done a wonderful work in the reëstablishing of weak churches and in the bringing of important and wealthy parishes to high levels of achievement.



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Father Brady was born in St. Peter's Parish, in the city of Troy, New York, and is a son of Edward and Mary (Farrell) Brady. Following his elementary studies at St. Peter's School, he was graduated from Troy Academy in the class of 1877, and thereafter entered Holy Cross College, at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1880, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For his theological course he entered St. Joseph's Seminary, of Troy, New York, and was ordained there December 20, 1884 by Bishop Bradley, of Manchester, New Hampshire. His first appointment was as acting pastor at Cazenovia, New York, where he served for one year, then was sent to Saratoga Springs, New York, as assistant at St. Peter's Church. He continued for three years in this capacity, then was appointed pastor of the parish which united Corinth and Luzerne, New York. There he served for twelve years, greatly enlarging the parish and building their present handsome and commodious church edifice. His work in this community so thoroughly demonstrated his executive and administrative ability that it was the means of giving him further work of the same nature. He was sent to the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on May 5, 1901, at Middle Granville, New York, and here also he built the church and materially enlarged the parish, leading, guiding, teaching and admonishing the people in the Christian life. His next charge was St. Mary's Church, at Gloversville, New York, where a similar work was awaiting an able hand and a devoted spirit. Building the church there and establishing the people in the faith, he remained at Gloversville for a period of fifteen years, and from there came to Troy. On September 14, 1921, Father Brady was appointed pastor of St. Francis' Church, of Troy, one of the most important parishes in Rensselaer county. The large, beautiful church edifice is one of the finest buildings in the city of Troy, and the pride of the people who worship in it. St. Francis' Parochial School, which is a model institution, was established in 1919. The school is conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph, and now has about 280 pupils. With the rectory and the beautiful grounds, the church property constitutes one of the show places of the city. Father Brady is leading the people ever forward, ever upward in the Christian life, and is revered alike by his own people and by his contemporaries in Christian work. Not only in his own parish, but in the general civic advance, he lends his influence and support to all endeavors which have for their purpose the welfare and uplift of the people.

Father Brady is a member of the Knights of Columbus (4th degree), and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Troy, New York.

RALPH M. COOPER, one of the successful business men of Nassau, New York, has by his own efforts reached a place of distinction among the members of the legal profession and has been engaged in legal practice in Nassau since 1907.

Mr. Cooper was born in Athens, Greene county, New York, October 27, 1884, and is a son of Ira N., a steamboat captain, and Lillian (Mace) Cooper. He received his early education in the public schools of his

native district, graduating from the Catskill High School in 1903; he then became a student in the Albany Law School. In order to earn the money for his professional education he worked as a deck hand on the river boats and at one time was employed on the boats that transport foreigners from Ellis Island. After his graduation from the Albany Law School, in 1906, he continued his legal studies and was admitted to the bar in September, 1906, at the age of twenty-one years. In 1907 Mr. Cooper removed to Nassau, New York, where he opened an office and engaged in general practice, gradually building up a large and important clientele. After a few years he opened a branch office in Troy, New York.

Politically Mr. Cooper gives his support to the principles of the Republican party. He has always been willing to bear his share of the burden of public office, having served as a member of the Republican County Committee for five years; as transfer tax appraiser of Rensselaer county under the State Tax Commission for two years, as police justice of Nassau for seven years, and as a member of the Board of Education for two years. Mr. Cooper is well-known in Masonic circles, holding membership in Gratitude Lodge, No. 674, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Kinderhook Chapter, No. 264, Royal Arch Masons; Lafayette Commandery, No. 7, Knights Templar, of Hudson, New York; Cyprus Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Albany, New York; and Tsatsawassa Lodge, No. 356, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of East Nassau, New York, of which he is a past grand. His religious affiliation is with the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, of Nassau, New York, which he serves as a member of the board of trustees, as treasurer, and as a steward.

Mr. Cooper married Grace E. Roye, on June 15, 1910, at Nassau, New York, daughter of Joseph L. and Jennie (Palmer) Roye, and they are the parents of three children: Ralph, Jr., who was born May 10, 1913; Earle N., born June 9, 1915; and Jean R., who was born June 13, 1917.

JAMES J. HORAN—When ten years of age, Thomas Horan came to the United States from Ireland and became a well-known and prosperous contractor, executing many contracts with the railroads of the country. He was born in Ireland in 1845, and eventually settled in Troy, New York, where he established a teaming business, which became large and profitable, and which he continued until his death. He married Catherine Flaherty, and they were the parents of a family of seven children, of whom Catherine, Delia and James J. survive. This review deals with the career of James J. Horan, president of J. J. Horan & Company, of Troy, engaged in steamfitting, plumbing and heating.

James J. Horan was born in Troy, New York, October 16, 1866, son of Thomas and Catherine (Flaherty) Horan. After completing his education at Christian Brothers Academy he began learning a trade, not with the intention of becoming a journeyman, but that he might be thoroughly prepared for the business career which he intended to pursue. To that end he learned plumbing and steamfitting with Holland & Thomp-

son, remaining with that firm for nearly six years. He then went with Chambers, Bottom & Company for two years, becoming during those years an expert workman and also giving especial attention to the business side of his trade.

In 1888, at the age of twenty-two, he felt that he was capable of managing a business for himself, and finding an opening he joined with James W. Daley, and as Daley & Horan they opened a plumbing, steamfitting and heating establishment in Troy. Both men were capable, and the firm continued in business successfully for three years, Mr. Daley retiring in 1891, Mr. Horan continuing under the firm name, J. J. Horan & Company. He conducted his business on a high plane of efficiency and usefulness as a firm until February, 1922, when he incorporated as J. J. Horan & Company, becoming president and treasurer of that corporation, as at present. The business of the company is large in all departments, and in quality has always ranked with the best. Few men in Northern New York have been connected with more work in their particular lines than Mr. Horan, nor is any man better equipped for his life-work than he. He maintains a staff of engineers, draughtsmen and mechanics, experts in modern steamfitting, sanitary plumbing, and heat, light and ventilation, men capable of dealing with any problem in their especial lines. He is himself capable as a mechanic, and as business executive his success has proved his quality.

Mr. Horan is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Troy Club; Van Schaick Island Golf Club; St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church; is a director of the Manufacturers' National Bank; and connected with several of Troy's manufacturing corporations. During the World War period, 1917-18, he served as a member of the Troy Selective Draft Board, and was active in the Liberty Loan and other "drives" of that period. His recreations are of the out-of-doors, and travel is his great delight.

MICHAEL W. SHAUGHNESSY—The Shaughnessy Ice Company, of which Michael W. Shaughnessy is president and treasurer, was formed in West Troy by Lawrence Shaughnessy in 1871 and moved to its present location in 1888. Beginning in a small way, it has grown to large proportions and in the busiest season 400 employees, twelve Packard trucks, and thirty-two horse-drawn trucks are necessary to keep pace with the business, wholesale and retail, transacted daily by the company. The trade is largely in wholesale quantities, the railroad and packing houses of Northern New York being heavy customers. Lawrence Shaughnessy died in 1914; the present officers of the company are as follows: Michael W. Shaughnessy, president and treasurer; Lawrence S. Shaughnessy, vice-president of the company, who was born in April, 1872, and was educated in the public and parochial schools of West Troy and the Troy Business College; and Thomas F. Shaughnessy, secretary and assistant treasurer of the company, who was born in Watervliet, New York, March 29, 1888, and was educated in the public and parochial

schools, La Salle Institute, and Troy Business College. He has been associated with the company since he was twenty-one years of age. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and is unmarried.

Michael W. Shaughnessy is the son of Lawrence and Johanna (Sheehan) Shaughnessy, both deceased, their ten children surviving them, and was born in West Troy, New York, April 16, 1871. He was educated in the schools of West Troy and when school years were over became associated with his father in the ice business and has been identified with the Shaughnessy Ice Company, manufacturers and distributors of ice, from youth until the present, being now president and treasurer of the company; one-half tons of ice are harvested by the company. Mr. Shaughnessy has been an active member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce for many years and was one of the men prominent in the reorganization of the Chamber and its subsequent operation. He was vice-president in 1921-22, and in 1923 was elected president, an office he is capably filling. He is a director and trustee of the Securities Properties Company and of the Manufacturers' National Bank, and is a director of the Leonard Hospital. He is an energetic, level-headed business man and has won high standing among the business men of his city who make up the membership of the Chamber of Commerce, (president 1923-24). His recreations are those of the out-of-doors, and while touring with his motor car is a favorite vacation pleasure, he enjoys his horses and may be classed as an enthusiast in his admiration of a good horse and his performances. Mr. Shaughnessy's sister, Mary A. Shaughnessy, married Edward Ryan.

JAMES F. BREARTON, LL. B.—In professional circles in the city of Troy, New York, Mr. Brearton is a noteworthy figure, having attained marked success in his legal practice. He is prominent in fraternal and club circles and in athletic sports as well.

James F. Brearton was born in Troy, New York, November 11, 1874, and is a son of Thomas and Margaret (Walsh) Brearton, both now deceased. Receiving his early education at St. Joseph's Parochial School, in Troy, he later attended La Salle Institute, from which he was graduated in the class of 1892. He then entered Albany Law School, and was graduated from that institution in the class of 1896, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar in the same year and when still only about twenty-one years of age, he took up his practice immediately and has since continued, with constantly increasing success, always practicing alone. Mr. Brearton's ability and his deep interest in the public well-being brought him much into the public eye and he was early ranked among the leaders of the Democratic party in Troy. In 1904 he was elected city clerk and served for two years, then in 1907-08, he served as transfer tax appraiser of Rensselaer county. Although in later years he has not accepted official responsibility, he has given largely of his time and energies to the various interests of the community, supporting any movement or endeavor which promised to advance the public good.

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Mr. Brearton is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, of which he is also a trustee. A resident of Beman Park, he is a member of the Beman Park Neighborhood Association and serves as chairman of the executive committee of this organization. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Troy, and his recreations follow the line of out-door sports. He is a member of the Laureate Boat Club, and at the country house of the club he plays tennis and handball, but takes particular delight in boating. He is a charter member of Troy Council, Knights of Columbus, and St. Paul the Apostle Parish of the Roman Catholic Church, at Beman Park.

Mr. Brearton married Sara E. Treanor, daughter of Hugh and Anna B. (Goode) Treanor. Mr. and Mrs. Brearton are the parents of two children: James and Eleanor.

JOHN H. QUACKENBUSH, one of the most experienced and skillful agriculturists and farm produce speculators of Rensselaer county, New York, has also rendered valuable service in public office. He is clerk of Rensselaer county, and for the past twenty years has been a member of the Republican County Committee.

The Quackenbush family is one of the old Colonial families which since 1704 have been assisting in the development of Rensselaer county, and is of German and Dutch ancestry. The old homestead is situated on the Hoosick river, in what is now the town of Schaghticoke, and is at present (1923) occupied by the ninth generation of the Quackenbush name. Jacob Quackenbush, great-grandfather of John H., was born there in 1770, and there he spent practically his entire life. He married Anna Groesbeck, and they reared a family of children, among whom was Hermon, of further mention.

Hermon Quackenbush, son of Jacob and Anna (Groesbeck) Quackenbush, was born in the old homestead on the Hoosick river, and after receiving a good practical education in the public schools of his native district, engaged in farming, which occupation he continued throughout his active life. He also was a surveyor, and in connection with his farming operations assisted in establishing boundary lines between farms, and took an active part in the "laying out" of the original holdings of early settlers in his section of the county. He married Elizabeth Baucus, and among their children was John A., of further mention.

Hon. John A. Quackenbush, son of Hermon and Elizabeth (Baucus) Quackenbush, was born on the Quackenbush homestead, in what is now Schaghticoke, New York, October 16, 1828. He received his early education in the public schools of his native district and completed his preparation for a successful active life in Stillwater Academy. From early boyhood he had been his father's assistant on the farm and when his education was completed he made agriculture his business, devoting his time and his energy to a careful study not only of the science of raising good crops, but also to the difficult art of successful marketing of farm produce. He was an able and energetic man and soon realized that a large

proportion of the profits of the agricultural industry are to be found in the latter branch of the business. He began to buy up farm produce, lumber, and wool, and soon became a successful speculator in those articles of commerce. Large flocks of sheep were raised by the farmers of those days and the buying and selling of wool became an important part of his business. In addition to his activities as agriculturist and speculator in farm produce, lumber, and wool, he took an active part in political affairs and in 1861 was elected supervisor of the town of Schaghticoke. So well did he discharge the duties of that office that he was reëlected in 1862 and in 1863, was made chairman of the board of supervisors of Rensselaer county. Meanwhile in 1862 he had been elected to represent his district in the State Assembly, and in 1873 he was chosen to serve as sheriff of Rensselaer county. The energy and ability which enabled him to succeed in his own business affairs were freely devoted to the discharge of his duties as a public official, and his satisfied constituents decided to send him to represent them in the national Congress. In 1888 he was elected to represent his district in the Fifty-first United States Congress, and two years later, in 1890, he was reëlected to serve as a member of the Fifty-second Congress. From 1888 to 1898 he efficiently served as a member of the State Republican Central Committee, and he also served as a delegate to three National Republican conventions. That he served well the interests of his constituents while he was in Congress is evidenced by the fact that during his two terms of legislative service an apportionment for a post office in Troy was secured, two and a half million dollars were appropriated for the improvement of the Hudson river, a like sum was devoted to the improvement of Lake Champlain, and protection for the collar and cuff industry of Troy was secured in the McKinley Tariff Bill. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons, and his religious connection was with the First Presbyterian Church. He died on May 11, 1908.

Hon. John A. Quackenbush married, on September 29, 1852, at Schaghticoke, New York, Harriet E. Kenney, daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth (Cooper) Kenney, of Troy, New York, and they were the parents of two children: John H., of further mention; and Emma, who married G. Ira Hayner, of Schaghticoke.

John H. Quackenbush, son of Hon. John A. and Harriet E. (Kenney) Quackenbush, was born in the old Quackenbush homestead on the Hoosick river, in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, New York. After attending the public schools of his native district, he became a student in Troy Conference Academy, at Poultney, Vermont. When his course in the latter institution was completed he continued his studies in Wilbraham Academy, Wilbraham, Massachusetts, remaining there until his preparation for a successful active career was completed. As a boy he had become interested in his father's successful operations as agriculturist and farm produce speculator, and upon the completion of his academic training he engaged in the same line of activity. His early association with his father was invaluable as a practical preparation for his

own career and from the first he was successful. Like his father, he added to his interest in the buying and selling of general farm produce, extensive operations in the handling of wool, and for thirty years has been buying and selling that important article of commerce. He is now one of the oldest wool speculators in the county and is widely known as an expert in that field. He has a fine herd of Jersey cattle, and is himself a skillful and scientific agriculturist. He is a trustee of the Elmwood Cemetery Association, of Schaghticoke, New York, and a director of the Rensselaer County Fair Association. He has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the Republican party, and on August 6, 1921, was appointed to fill a vacancy as clerk of the county of Rensselaer, and in November, 1921, was elected to that office for a three-year term, commencing January 1, 1922. Since that time he has been efficiently discharging the duties of that office. As a member of the Republican County Committee he has for the past twenty years taken an important part in the work of his party and is well-known as an earnest and sincere advocate of the principles of that organization. Fraternally he is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his religious affiliation is with the Baptist church of Stillwater, New York, which he serves as a member and president of the board of trustees, and has been president of the Barraca Class of the church for five years.

John H. Quackenbush married, on November 6, 1889, at Stillwater, New York, Nellie Newland, of Stillwater, daughter of Rial and Ellen (Neilson) Newland, of Stillwater, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Quackenbush are the parents of one child, Lione, who received her early education in the grammer and high schools of Stillwater and then entered Norton College, of Norton, Massachusetts, from which she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. She married Earl R. Hatton, of Waco, Texas, a graduate of Boston Institute of Technology, with the degree of Mechanical Engineer. During the World War Earl R. Hatton served as an ensign in the United States navy and had charge of twelve submarine chasers during the early period of the war. During the last few months of his service he was in charge of a transport boat. Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Hatton now reside in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

CHARLES JOSEPH RANNEY, A.B., LL.B.—Among the younger professional men of Rensselaer county, Charles Joseph Ranney is taking a leading part in the law. His education was received in some of the leading institutions of the East and he has practiced for nearly ten years, winning marked distinction and gratifying success. Mr. Ranney is a son of William T. and Josephine Lucey Ranney, his father a foreman in the stereotyping department of the Troy morning and evening "Record." His mother is also living and they are residents of Troy.

Charles Joseph Ranney was born in Waterford, New York, August 1, 1891. His education was begun in the local schools, but the family removing to Troy when he was six years of age, he continued his studies in St. Joseph's School in that city, later attending St. Joseph's Academy,

from which he was graduated in 1906. Thereafter he took a post-graduate course for one year in the same academy. He then entered Holy Cross College, at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1911 and from which he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. Thereafter entering Albany Law School, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1914, receiving his Bachelor of Laws degree.

Admitted to the bar on September 10, 1914, Mr. Ranney took up the practice of his chosen profession at once, in the offices of John F. Murray and William H. Murray, where he remained a little more than one year. He then became associated with Judge E. J. Sweeney, with whom he practiced until January 19, 1923. These affiliations had not been in the nature of partnerships but on the last mentioned date Mr. Ranney formed a partnership with John J. Mackrell, who had been appointed first deputy Secretary of State in 1923, to serve for a term of two years. Mr. Mackrell is a prominent lawyer of this city. With offices at Nos. 311-312-314 Cannon place, Troy, these young men are going forward under the firm name of Mackrell & Ranney, and they are counted among the leading young men in the profession to-day. Mr. Ranney is a veteran of the World War, having enlisted on July 12, 1918, in the United States Naval Reserve Corps. He was detailed to Pelham Bay Training Camp, but was never called to overseas service. He was released from active service on December 22, 1918, but continued on the Naval Reserve Force until December 23, 1920, when he received his honorable discharge. He is a member of Troy Post, No. 628, American Legion; Troy Council, No. 176, Knights of Columbus; and Vegan Caravan, Order of Alhambra. He is also a member of Holy Cross Club of Eastern New York, and Albany Law School (Union University) Alumni Association of New York. His religion is Roman Catholic, and he attends St. Patrick's Church.

Mr. Ranney married, on November 26, 1921, Edna G. Fanning, of Troy, daughter of Edward J. and Mary C. (Looby) Fanning, and they have one son, William, born September 12, 1922. Mr. Ranney and his family live in Troy.

CORNELIUS V. COLLINS—Few men are better known or more highly esteemed in the city of Troy, New York, than is Cornelius V. Collins, more familiarly known as "Neil," vice-president of the L. R. Mack Company and postmaster of Troy. Mr. Collins has had a wide and varied experience, both as business man and as public official, and for thirteen years served as the efficient superintendent of the State prisons of the State of New York. He has always taken an active interest in public affairs and is one of those capable and energetic citizens who consistently shape the affairs of both their business and civic activities in conformity with the highest practical ideals of integrity and honor.

Thomas Collins, father of Mr. Collins, was born in Cross-Keyes, County Tyrone, Ireland, and came to this country in 1848. He settled in Rensselaer county, New York, where for many years he was en-

gaged in business as a contractor and builder. He was an able, intelligent man, who took an active interest in public affairs and always stood strongly for progress and for moral betterment. He was at one time the faithful and efficient overseer of the poor of Rensselaer county, and he also rendered valuable service as the president of the Francis Murphy Temperance Society. His death occurred in 1904. He married Elizabeth Valance, a native of Scotland, who died in 1888, and they were the parents of Cornelius V., of further mention.

Cornelius V. Collins, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Valance) Collins, was born in Greenwich, Washington county, New York, June 20, 1856. He received his earliest education in the public schools of Greenwich, but in 1866 the family removed to Troy, New York, and in the old Eighth Ward School, on the corner of Third and Adams streets, Troy, he continued his school training, later becoming a student in the Gale School, on Seventh street, the old Second Ward school. When his grammar training was completed, he left school and found his first employment in the office of Van Arnum and Kennedy, pioneer realtors of Rensselaer county. Their office was located on the site now occupied by the Young Men's Christian Association building, and as clerk in that office Mr. Collins gained his first business experience. His next employment was found with William P. Kellogg and Company, manufacturers of curry combs, whom he served as clerk. That connection was maintained until he resigned in order to accept a position with Starkweather, Allen and Baker, dealers in crockery, whose establishment was located on River street. In 1887 he identified himself with the business of Converse, Peckham & Vilas, an association which was maintained until 1894, when the firm was "burnt out" and young Mr. Collins was obliged to seek occupation elsewhere. He then identified himself with Converse, Collins & Merrill in an enterprise which subsequently was conducted under the name of the Converse, Collins & Merrill Company. They were engaged in the wholesale dry goods business and were located at No. 329 River street, Troy. In the fall of 1894, however, Mr. Collins was elected sheriff of Rensselaer county and severed his connection with the Converse, Collins & Merrill Company in order to devote his time to the official duties of his new position. Three years later, in 1897, he was appointed superintendent of the State Prison of the State of New York, by Governor Black, and served for thirteen years, under the administrations of Governors Roosevelt, Odell, Higgins and Hughes. He discharged the duties of that responsible position in a most efficient and successful manner. In 1911, he resumed his business activities and became associated with the L. R. Mack Company, of which he is now the vice-president, the firm handling the Packard and Hupmobile motor cars and controlling the wholesale and retail sale of both cars in nineteen counties. In addition to his business responsibilities, Mr. Collins is also serving as postmaster of the city of Troy, having been appointed to that position March 3, 1923. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He is well-known in Masonic and club circles, being a member of King Solo-

mon Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, of Troy; of Lodge No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; of the Troy Club; Rensselaer County Republican Club; Albany Club; and the American Geographical Society; also a member of the Commercial Travelers' Association of Troy; and of the Masonic Club. Mr. Collins has been director of the Security Trust Company, the United Traction Company, and the Commercial Telephone Company. He was a delegate to the Republican National Conventions in 1908, 1912, 1916, and 1920; and was police commissioner of the city of Troy in 1888 and 1889. He has served as municipal officer, county officer (sheriff), State officer (superintendent of prisons), and Federal officer (postmaster). His religious affiliation is with the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Troy, New York.

Cornelius V. Collins married Ida Salmson, in Troy, New York, December 11, 1879, daughter of Peter H., a manufacturer and jeweler of Troy, and of Mary (Norman) Salmson. Mr. and Mrs. Collins are the parents of two children: Elizabeth C., deceased, who married Frederick E. Bowen, and became the mother of two children: Robert, and Norman; and Mary, who married R. K. McGonigal, and has two children: Mary, and Elizabeth.

JOSEPH WHEELER—HENRY WHEELER—As president of the Wheeler Brothers' Brass Foundry, Inc., of Troy, Joseph Wheeler stands among the really important executives in the industrial life of this city. He is a son of Moses and Elizabeth (Bladen) Wheeler, both members of prominent English families. The father made several trips to the United States prior to 1885, then in that year brought his family to this country and settled in Troy. He died November 4, 1913, but the mother still survives him.

Joseph Wheeler was born in England, October 19, 1873, and was educated in the national schools of his native land. He was only twelve years of age when the family settled in Troy, nevertheless he went to work at once, learning the moulder's trade, which he followed until he went into business for himself. In this enterprise his brother, Henry Wheeler, is associated with him, and their rise from obscurity to large success, which has been achieved in less than a decade and a half, is an interesting chapter in the industrial history of this city. They started in South Troy, the father and the two sons, in 1909, under the firm name of Wheeler's Brass Foundry, a partnership. The business was started in the woodshed back of their house and at the beginning the three men did all the work, as well as managing the affairs of the business. They were soon in need of larger quarters and secured a location on North street, with a floor space of 2,400 square feet, and the continued growth made it necessary later to seek the possibilities of further expansion. In 1912 they removed to their present location, at No. 2751 Fifth avenue, where they now have one two-story building, 40x60 feet in ground dimensions, and one building of one story, 60x60 feet. At the time of their removal to this location the concern was incorporated, the name be-

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coming Wheeler Brothers' Brass Foundry, Incorporated, and their growth and development has been steady and rapid since that time. They make aluminum, brass and bronze castings, and sell everywhere, mostly however within one hundred miles or thereabouts of the city of Troy, employing permanently about twenty hands. They have not only gained a large measure of prosperity but have also taken a really significant place in the industry in which they are engaged and take pride in the fact that their foundry has turned some of the largest aluminum castings made. This is a truly remarkable example of development from nothing to the dignity of a large and thriving industrial enterprise and is a striking illustration of the possibilities open to the enterprising men of to-day who will devote their attention faithfully to any useful line of endeavor. Joseph Wheeler is president of the concern; Mrs. Bella Wheeler, vice-president; Henry Wheeler, treasurer; and Mrs. Bertha E. Wheeler, secretary; and the firm is still going forward and is contemplating further expansion in the not far distant future. Joseph Wheeler is prominent in the fraternal world of Rensselaer county, being a member of Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and of the Grotto, of Troy. He is further identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of Foresters, and is an active member of the Levings Methodist Episcopal Church, serving as a member of the official board.

Joseph Wheeler married, on September 1, 1900, Bella Crowther, who was born in England, and they are the parents of four children: 1. Jasper, who was educated in Troy, and early in the period of the World War enlisted in the United States army, eventually serving throughout the period of the war, and is now identified with the above business. He married Mildred Green, of Troy, and they have one daughter, Ruth. 2. Martha. 3. Viola. 4. Dorothy.

Henry Wheeler, the treasurer of this business organization, was born in England, September 30, 1876, and also came to Troy as a boy with the family. He attended the schools of this city for about three years, but at the age of twelve years entered the industrial world, also learning the moulder's trade. He has been identified with the firm of Wheeler Brothers' Brass Foundry, Inc., since the original inception of the enterprise in the woodshed, and has gone forward side by side with his elder brother, sharing the responsibilities and endeavors of the early years and now shares in his success. Henry Wheeler is also a leading member of the Masonic order, and belongs to all the various bodies mentioned above, the same as his brother, including membership in the Grotto, of Troy; and is a member of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church.

Henry Wheeler married (first) Annie Elizabeth Marsden, and they were the parents of one son, D. Harry; both mother and son died. Henry Wheeler married (second) Bertha E. Marsden, a sister of his first wife, and they are the parents of three children: May, now a post-graduate student in secretarial work at the Emma Willard School of Troy; Henry, Jr., who is active in the above business; and Evelyn, still in school.

FAYETTE THOMAS, now a long-established business man in West Sand Lake, was born there October 6, 1857, and is a descendant of pioneer farmers of Rensselaer county.

Peleg R. Thomas, grandfather of Fayette Thomas, married Freelove Arnold, who was presented by Rensselaer county with a set of solid silver spoons as a prize for the best farm. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were the parents of the following children: Burton A., born July 25, 1809, died September 28, 1880; Sarah G., born December 21, 1810, died January 26, 1849; Roland, born March 4, 1813, died June 9, 1880; Phoebe, born October 13, 1814, died January 9, 1851; Russell, born May 20, 1818, died March 22, 1869; Alonzo, born July 2, 1820, died December 17, 1889; Mary E., born May 28, 1827, died November 28, 1854; Marilla, born March 16, 1831, died August 28, 1885; Albert P., of further mention; and Minerva, born March 12, 1836, died September 29, 1893.

Albert P. Thomas was born January 15, 1834, and was a farmer. He married Margaret L. Taylor, daughter of Barney and Margaret (Richard) Taylor. Albert P. and Margaret L. (Taylor) Thomas were the parents of the following children: Alonzo; Fayette, the subject of this review; and Olcott W. Albert P. Thomas died in 1886, and his widow is still living at the venerable age of ninety (1922).

Fayette Thomas received his education in the local schools and at a school in Albany. He studied embalming at the Massachusetts College of Embalming. Until his father's death he remained on the home farm, which he retains in his possession and which has been owned by the family for more than one hundred years. It is now occupied by a tenant. In 1907 he established an undertaking business which he has ever since successfully conducted.

In politics Mr. Thomas is an independent Democrat and for three years served as commissioner of highways for the town. For nine years he was master of the local grange. He affiliates with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Wyantskill, and the Knights of Pythias, of West Sand Lake. He is a member of the First Lutheran Church of his home town.

Mr. Thomas married, December 24, 1879, at West Sand Lake, Ada C. Hastings, daughter of Roswall and Catherine (Cipperly) Hastings, and granddaughter of Joseph and Dolly Hastings, and Michael and Barbara (Ferguson) Cipperly. Roswall Hastings who, with his wife, was a native of West Sand Lake, was the original strawberry grower of Rensselaer county. Mrs. Fayette Thomas died March 5, 1918.

MARTIN A. MURPHY—This well-known citizen, who has now for many years held the offices of village clerk and water collector at Hoosick Falls, New York, was born in that place, June 14, 1859, and is a son of John and Catherine Murphy, both of whom are now deceased. John Murphy was a farmer in the neighborhood of Buskirk Bridge, and it was there that his son was reared, receiving his earliest education in local schools and afterward attending Cambridge Preparatory School.

On completing his course of study Mr. Murphy taught for six years in the district schools of his county, engaging in farming during the summer months. Over thirty years ago he established, at Hoosick Falls, the meat and grocery business which he disposed of to his brother twelve years ago.

The principles of the Democratic party are those to which Mr. Murphy has always given his support and for a long period he has been a conspicuous figure in local affairs. In 1911 he was elected village clerk and about the same time was chosen water collector. He is ex-county coroner and ex-auditor. For two terms of three years each, he held the office of village president and during that time he caused to be erected a new municipal building which, in all respects, is completely modern. He affiliates with the local lodge of the Knights of Columbus, and is a member of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Murphy married, January 25, 1882, at Hoosick Falls, Mary O'Brien, daughter of William and Nora O'Brien, and they are the parents of a son and a daughter, both of whom were born at Hoosick Falls; Martin A., Jr., now a physician in New York City; and Grace V.

WILLIAM HAMILTON SHIELDS—Now and since 1916 William H. Shields, of this review, has been president of that time-honored financial institution, the Troy Savings Bank, of which his maternal grandfather, Richard Philip Hart, was one of the original board of trustees, the first vice-president, and the second president, 1834-1839. Mr. Shields is ninth in the list of presidents of this valuable institution for savings which is antedated in New York State only by the Bank for Savings in New York City, in 1819; and the Albany Savings Bank in 1820, the succession being as follows: Townsend McCoun, 1823-1834; Richard P. Hart, 1834-1839; Stephen Warren, 1839-1847; Gurdon Corning, 1847-1850; Jared S. Weed, 1850-1870; Charles B. Russell, 1870-1887; Derick Lane, 1887-1892; Charles E. Hanaman, 1892-1916; and William H. Shields, 1916.

There is a wealth of history attached to these names of men interested in every phase of Troy's development during the century of progress, 1823-1923. In 1820 fire destroyed the very heart of the city, ninety buildings being destroyed, sixty-nine of which were stores. The founding of the Troy Savings Bank marks the beginning of the new Troy and its history and the men who have made it the history of Troy. This review deals with the career of the ninth president, William H. Shields, son of Hamilton L. and Caroline (Hart) Shields, his mother a daughter of Richard Philip Hart, the second president, who was born at Harts Village, in Dutchess county, New York, and came to Troy in 1801. Sagacity and skill characterized his management of those business enterprises in which he engaged, and but a few years sufficed to show his superior ability as a business man. He was a director of the Bank of Troy, 1811; Rensselaer and Saratoga Insurance Company, 1814; the Troy Lyceum of Natural History, 1818; the Troy Female Seminary, 1821; the Troy City Bank, of which he was the first president; member of the Assembly, 1821;

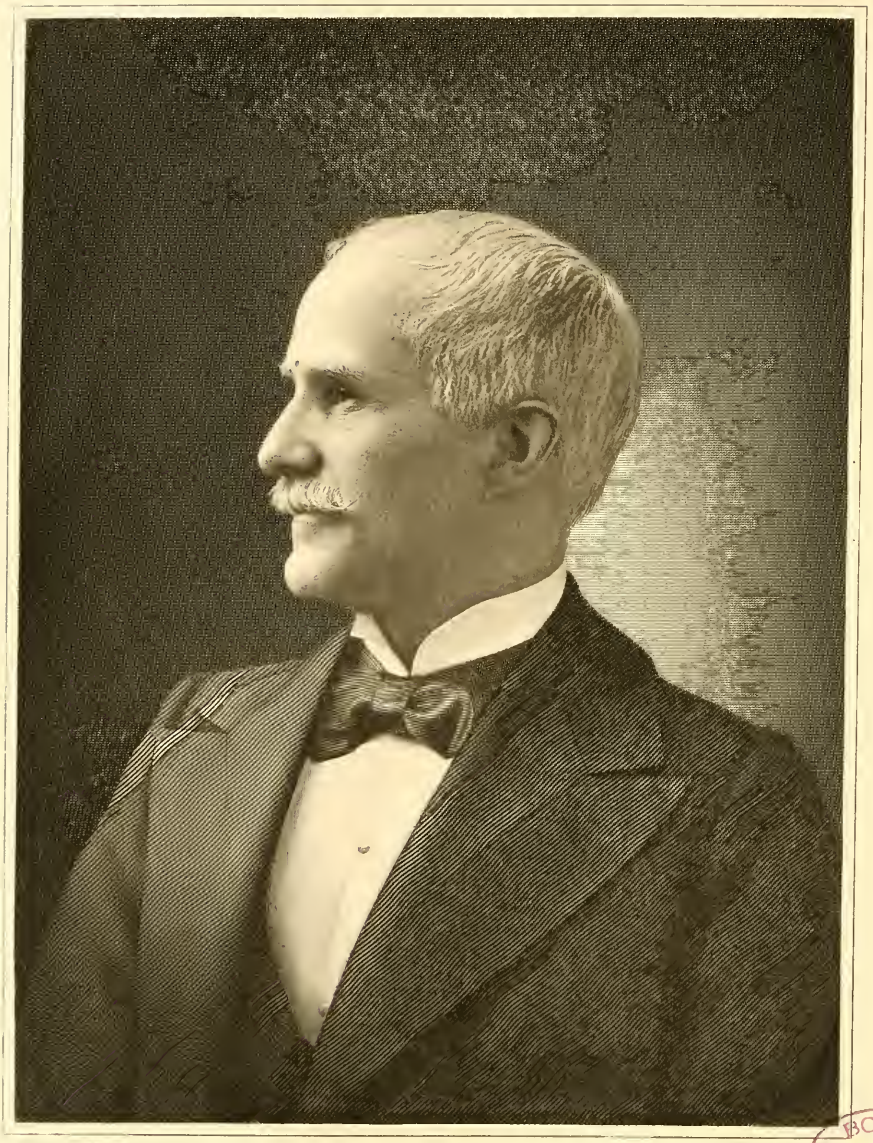
trustee and first vice-president, Troy Savings Bank, 1823, president, 1834-1839; the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1825; mayor of Troy, 1836-1838; and a founder of the Troy Orphan Asylum. These varied interests are remarkable, and his achievements are enduring evidence of the power and breadth of his mind, for he was self-educated. He died December 27, 1843. His son, William Howard Hart, succeeded his father as trustee in 1844, his grandson, William H. Shields, becoming a trustee in 1908 and president in 1916.

William H. Shields was born in Troy, New York, August 8, 1853. Hamilton L. Shields, his father, was a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, class of 1847, and a soldier of the Mexican War, serving on General Wool's staff. He resigned from the army in 1854, and died in Troy, in 1889.

William H. Shields was educated at the Troy Academy, and from the Academy he went into the business world as an employee of the Troy Steel and Iron Company, remaining with that corporation nine years in constantly increasing positions of responsibility. From that connection he passed to the managership of the J. W. Griswold Wire Company, holding also, at various times, the presidency of the Kilbourn Manufacturing Company; a directorship in the Manufacturers' National Bank, of which he is also a trustee; the superintendency of the Troy Water Works; and the office of commissioner of public works for the city of Troy. His connection with the Troy Savings Bank began in 1908, with his election to the board of trustees, and in that capacity only he served the bank until the annual meeting, held October 17, 1916, when he was chosen president, an office he has most ably filled until the present (1923). Shortly after Mr. Shields became president, the United States entered the World War, and the Troy Savings Bank subscribed as its share of the burden for over three and one-half millions of the various issues of Liberty bonds; of these over one-half million were sold to depositors and a large part of these are now in the vaults of the bank for safe-keeping, being taken care of without charge to the owners. The mortgage loans made by the bank have largely increased during the past six years, having nearly doubled.

Mr. Shields is a director of the Rensselaer & Saratoga railroad; the Saratoga & Schenectady railroad; the Albany & Vermont railroad; the Troy and Cohoes street railway; and the Lansingburg & Cohoes street railway; is a trustee of the Troy Public Library, and of the First Presbyterian Church; a member of the board of governors of Marshall Infirmary; a member of Mt. Anthony Country Club, of Bennington, Vermont; of the Republican Club of Rensselaer county; and the Troy Club. He is treasurer of the Emma Willard School; a trustee of the Troy Orphan Asylum; for seventeen years a member of the Troy Citizens' Corps; and now is a member of the Old Guard.

Mr. Shields married (first) on May 20, 1885, Anna S. Thaliner, who died in 1888, leaving two children: William L., and Anna F. She was a daughter of Peter and Susan F. (McEdson) Thaliner. He married (second) October 4, 1893, Sarah Johnston, daughter of David J. Johnston, of Cohoes, New York, who died in 1922.



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LEONARD HOUSE GILES—The Giles ancestry is of English origin, Mr. Giles' forbears having removed from England, during the time of the Rebellion, to Ireland, where they settled in County Wexford. Henry Giles, the grandfather of Leonard H. Giles, was born in Clone House, County Wexford, Ireland, in 1795, and while still a young man came to the United States with his brother, William. He lived for a while in Durhamville, Oneida county, New York, where he remained until 1816, when he removed to Elizabeth, County of Leeds, Upper Canada, where he settled, built a long cabin, and began farming the land as he cleared it of its growth of timber. He went into the Canadian woods with wife and two children, and amid the rough surroundings of a pioneer's farm, four others were born. Henry Giles worked very hard to provide for his family; so hard in fact, that, at the age of thirty-two, on October 24, 1823, he died from overwork. Reared in the faith of the Church of England, he embraced the teachings of John Wesley after coming to the United States, and became a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal church, frequently, in Canada, filling the local pulpit when the "circuit rider" did not appear for the customary service. He was a man of great energy, a true Christian, and well liked in the community. Henry Giles, the pioneer, married, in Oneida county, in 1814, Margaret Jones, born in Wales, who survived him with five sons, whom, after becoming a widow, she brought with her from Canada to Rome, New York, where she died. These sons were: 1. Henry Godkin, of whom further. 2. David C., born November 1, 1816, who became a well-known fireman of the city of Utica, New York, where the stone which marks his burial place reads: "Erected by his many friends." 3. William W., born October 18, 1818. 4. James M., born in 1820. 5. John J., born November 13, 1822.

Henry Godkin Giles, eldest of the sons of Henry and Margaret (Jones) Giles, was born in Deerfield, Oneida county, New York, March 27, 1815, and died in Troy, New York, January 5, 1879. He was taken to the frontier home in Canada by his parents soon after his birth, and there spent the years prior to 1823. In that year his father died, and not long afterward Mrs. Margaret Giles with her sons came to Rome, New York, where Henry G. Giles attended the public schools. He became head of a hardware and stove business in Rome, and continued in business until 1858. The following two years were spent in business in Rochester, New York, then in 1860 Troy became his home and business location. In Troy, New York, Henry G. Giles established a foundry for the manufacture of stoves, building up a good business, to which he admitted his son, Leonard H., they continuing in business as H. G. Giles & Son until the death of the senior partner in 1879. Henry G. Giles was a member of the First Particular Baptist Church, of Troy, serving that church as trustee. Under Governor Seward, he held the rank of paymaster in the New York National Guard, and his life was one of well-rounded influence. Mr. Giles married, June 2, 1840, at Houseville, Lewis county, New York, Harriet House, born November 7, 1816, daughter of Leonard and Louisa (Murdock) House. Her ancestry was English,

through Buckingham and Murdock lines tracing to Thomas Buckingham, who died in 1657. Thomas Buckingham sailed from London, and landed at Boston June 26, 1637. He was one of the Puritan settlers, and the ancestor of all the American Buckinghams. He later removed to Quinnipiack (New Haven) in 1638, his home being located on the square now surrounded by Chappel, Church and College streets. He married twice, his first wife, Hannah, dying June 28, 1646, leaving five children. Thomas (2), youngest of the children of Thomas and Hannah Buckingham, was born in 1646, and died April 1, 1709. He married (first) Hester Hosmer, September 20, 1666. She died June 3, 1702, leaving nine children. He married (second) August 10, 1703, Mary Hooker. Thomas (3), son of Rev. Thomas and Hester (Hosmer) Buckingham, was born September 29, 1670, and died September 12, 1739. He married Margaret Griswold. Captain Joseph Buckingham, son of Thomas and Margaret (Griswold) Buckingham, was born January 20, 1707. He married Sarah Tully, September 24, 1741. They were the parents of six daughters. Ann Buckingham, youngest child of Captain Joseph and Sarah (Tully) Buckingham, was born in Saybrook, Connecticut, August 4, 1753. She married Rev. James Murdock, of Saybrook, Connecticut, born February 10, 1755. They settled in Sandgate, Vermont, about 1780. Louisa Murdock, daughter of Rev. James and Ann (Buckingham) Murdock, was born January 12, 1788. She married Leonard House, of Turin, New York, who was born August 24, 1787. She died July 6, 1870. Harriet House, daughter of Leonard and Louisa (Murdock) House, was born November 7, 1816, and died in 1876. She married Henry Godkin Giles, June 2, 1840. Henry G. and Harriet (House) Giles were the parents of two sons: Leonard House, of whom further; and Albert Henry, born in Rome, New York, March 22, 1844, and there died, January 2, 1850. Father, mother and son are buried in Rome. Mrs. Giles, the mother, died in the same room in which she was born, ninety-five years before.

Leonard House Giles, only son of Henry G. and Harriet (House) Giles to survive childhood, was born in Rome, New York, May 23, 1841, and now (1923), at the age of eighty-two, is a well-preserved, successful business man of Troy, New York. The first seventeen years of his life were spent in Rome, where he acquired his education in public schools and in Rome Academy. In 1860 the family came to Troy, and there for a year he studied law in the office of Judge George Gould. The professional idea was then abandoned, and until 1866 he was employed in the J. M. Warren & Company hardware store. In 1866 he became associated with his father in the stove manufacturing business, that association continuing until the death of Henry G. Giles in 1879. The firm H. G. Giles & Son was continued by Leonard H. Giles until the sale of the plant in 1888, Mr. Giles the same year establishing his present business, nickel plating and manufacturing. Later he formed the present partnership, Giles & Neilson Nickel Works, and that firm still continues a prosperous existence (1923), the company plant since 1915 being at No. 15 Front street, Troy. Mr. Giles continues active in the business and his eighty-two years rest lightly upon him.

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In politics Mr. Giles is classed as an independent Republican, which means that he is not partisan, but does not mean that he has no pronounced views on public questions, for he has, and is keenly alive to his responsibilities as a citizen. He is a member of the Troy Club, the Deeper Waterways Association, the New York Historical Society; the First Particular Baptist Church, of Troy, of which he is senior deacon; and of Troy Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. He is an expert on Oriental rugs and owns some rare specimens. He is highly esteemed in the city which has for so long been his home.

Leonard H. Giles married, at Cohasset, Massachusetts, January 20, 1869, Susan Elizabeth Snow, born at Cohasset, October 21, 1847, died at Troy, New York, April 25, 1872, and is buried in her native Cohasset. Susan E. Snow was a descendant of Nicholas Snow, who came to Plymouth in the ship "Ann" in 1623, and married Constance, daughter of Stephen Hopkins, both of whom came in the "Mayflower" in 1620. The line of descent from Nicholas and Constance (Hopkins) Snow is through their son, John Snow, and his wife, Mary Smalley; their son, John (2) Snow, and his wife, Elizabeth Ridley; their son, Anthony Snow, and his wife, Sarah Paine; their son, David Snow, a soldier of the Revolution, and his wife, Hannah Collens; their son, Henry Snow, and his wife, Deliverance Dyer; their son, Captain Henry Snow, and his wife, Susanna Stoddard; their daughter, Susan Elizabeth Snow, and her husband, Leonard H. Giles. The children of Leonard H. and Susan E. (Snow) Giles are: Anna Louise, born at Troy, New York, February 4, 1870; Henry Snow, of further mention. Leonard H. Giles married (second) at Jersey City, New Jersey, December 15, 1880, Anna Laurella Clarke, born in Albany, New York, January 28, 1861, a sketch of whom follows. The family home is "Sunnyside," Troy.

Henry Snow Giles, only son of Leonard House and his first wife, Susan Elizabeth (Snow) Giles, was born at Troy, New York, April 22, 1872. After graduation from Troy High School he entered business life, and eventually entered into a partnership with Guy Ball, under the firm name of Ball & Giles, custom shirt manufacturers.

He is a member of the "Old Guard" of the Troy Citizen Corps, a veteran of the Spanish War, a veteran volunteer fireman, a member and trustee of the First Particular Baptist Church, and in politics is an independent Republican.

Henry Snow Giles married, June 29, 1910, Ethelyn Howe Ripley, of Cohasset, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two children: Barbara House, born in Troy, May 1, 1911; and Edward Ripley, born in Troy in November, 1918.

ANNA LAURELLA (CLARKE) GILES—For more than four decades Anna L. (Clarke) Giles has been a resident of Troy, New York, and for many of those years Troy's charitable, philanthropic and religious institutions have benefited through her devoted and consistent interest. She is a daughter of Gaylord Judd and Frances Helen (Corey) Clarke,

who, at the time of the birth of their daughter, were residents of Albany, New York.

Mrs. Giles had eight ancestors in the Revolutionary War. On her father's side was Jacob Clarke, who was a member of the Protective Band of Westchester county, and who with his brothers rendered material aid to our country against friends of the British troops stationed in New York City. He served under Colonel Thomas Thomas, and lost an eye in the service of his country. In the Department of Original Documents in the comptroller's office of the State of New York are receipts for monies paid for service in Colonel Thomas' regiment in Jacob Clarke's own handwriting. Also in the family records of her father's mother appears the name of David Reed, who, we find in "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors," was commissioned lieutenant in 1776, of Lincoln County Militia, under Colonel Samuel McCobb. He rose to the rank of captain during his service. The Reed family came originally from England, settled in Maine, and were known for their religious zeal and patriotic fervor.

Mrs. Giles' grandfather on her mother's side was Allen Corey, born June 9, 1810. He was the son of Daniel Corey, whose father, John Corey, was an Englishman who had gone to France for business purposes relating to the silk industry. He became acquainted with some French Huguenots who were about to sail for America, and decided to come with them and to make this country his home. In 1770, with others, he settled in Galway, Washington county, New York. Being a man of means he erected saw and grist mills which were the only ones for miles around. He became a true patriot and at the call of his adopted country, spoke with eloquence and persuasiveness among his neighbors and friends, influencing many to join with them and go into the army. He fought bravely to defend the country's cause, enlisting in Colonel Van Rensselaer's regiment, and was promoted, becoming a lieutenant under Colonel Jacobus Van Schoonhoven. John Corey married Elizabeth Chase, the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier, and they had four sons: 1. Daniel, of further mention. 2. David, who became United States Minister to Port au Prince, and who died of yellow fever. 3. John, who married and became the father of the Rev. Daniel Corey, D. D., of Utica, New York; and Rev. Dr. Sidney Corey, of New York City. 4. Stephen, who died at the battle of Plattsburgh, September 11, 1814.

Daniel Corey, son of John and Elizabeth (Chase) Corey, married Hannah Allen Todd, daughter of Robert Todd, a Revolutionary soldier, and a minister of the Gospel. He was called upon before the battle of Bemis Heights to "make public intercession for the safety of the American troops and that God would give them courage and faithfulness of purpose in this great undertaking." Just before the battle Robert Todd carried his wife, Elizabeth (Allen) Todd, and their little daughter, Hannah A., into the block-house for safety. Robert Todd was in several battles and before the close of the war rose to the rank of major. He lived until he was ninety years of age and met his death by falling from a bridge. He was cared for in his declining years by his grandson, Allen Corey, who has a

memory stored with incidents related by his grandfather. Mr. J. I. Taylor, of Canton, South Dakota, writing under date of August 6, 1893, says: "I well remember hearing my Grandfather Todd relate interesting anecdotes of the Revolutionary War, when his grandfather, John Todd, and uncle, Robert Todd, were in what was then called the 'Rebel Army.' He said: 'They are as familiar to me now as they were sixty-five years ago.'"

Hannah Allen (Todd) Corey, born and reared under those stirring conditions, became a strong, brave women. Her husband, Daniel Corey, died when he was but thirty-three years of age, leaving her with three small boys: David, who died young; John Addison, who later in life became Judge John A. Corey, of Saratoga Springs, New York, one of the projectors and founders of the Schuylerville Monument, and whose name is on the tablet; and Allen, the grandfather of Mrs. Giles, who married Ann Tifft Whipple, of Whipple City, now Greenwich, New York, daughter of David and Elizabeth (or Betsey) (Tifft) Whipple.

Elizabeth (or Betsey) (Tifft) Whipple, wife of David Whipple, was a daughter of David and Ruhama (James) Tifft. Her father served various short terms in the Revolutionary War, until October, 1781, under Captain Thompson, Lieutenant Clarke, Lieutenant-Colonel Potter, Colonel Myers, Major Dyer, and Major Maxon, his whole service covering a period of two years. He was in the battle of Long Island, and there lost a leg. He received a pension from the government, the claim being allowed on August 29, 1833. He was a native of Richmond, Long Island, and came of an old and prominent family. His father, William Tifft, was a justice of the peace in Colonial times, and married Mary Kenyon, in Rhode Island. When she was a girl she was stolen by the Indians, but later escaped and wandered about in the deep woods until she was found by a party of settlers. During that time she subsisted upon leaves and roots that she gathered. She was a very beautiful woman, described as having large blue eyes and hair "like spun gold." She said the Indians seemed to worship her hair for its unusual beauty, and they treated her very kindly. William Tifft, during the Revolution, served as commissary of Rhode Island troops during the whole of the war, being a man of great patriotism and executive ability. He received a personal letter of commendation from General George Washington for his "free and abundant service in behalf of his country."

Gaylord Judd Clarke, the father of Mrs. Giles, was born in Owego, Tioga county, New York, February 25, 1836, and died December 7, 1870. He was a graduate of Union College, class of 1859, went South to practice his profession, and became a judge, residing for years at El Paso, Texas. Although but a layman, he was a founder of the first Protestant church in El Paso and read the first service. That church was called St. Clement Mission, at the request of Mrs. Clarke, to perpetuate the memory of their little son who had just died. There is now a St. Clement Church standing on the site of the little mission, and in it are beautiful stained glass windows and a bronze tablet placed there in memory of the founder by his daughter, Mrs. Giles, and his widow, Frances Helen

(Corey) Clarke. The bronze tablet is thus inscribed: "In loving memory of Gaylord Judd Clarke, Founder of this church; born February 25, 1836, died December 7, 1870—a just man and perfect—who walked with God." In that same church is a fine organ given in 1915 by Mrs. Giles in memory of her mother.

Frances Helen (Corey) Clarke, mother of Mrs. Giles, was a daughter of Allen and Ann Tifft (Whipple) Corey, and a granddaughter of David Whipple, a member of a fine old Rhode Island family, contemporary with Roger Williams and members of the Society of Friends. One of her ancestors was Job Whipple, who came from Cumberland Hill, Rhode Island, and founded at what is now Greenwich, New York, a village known as Whipple City, of which he was the first president. He there installed the first spinning frames and manufactured the first yarn, which later he distributed among the women of the surrounding country to be woven into cloth. These women, from as far as Whitehall, Granville, and even Vermont, rode on horseback to the village, and when the cloth was woven, delivered it the same way, taking their pay in yarn for the use of their own families. Mr. Whipple, an energetic business man, saw clearly the future of the village, and sent his son-in-law, Mr. Mowry, to England, to obtain English ideas and plans of knitting machines. He was denied admission to the English mills, but did secure ideas and enough knowledge to enable him to build knitting machines here, and thus began in Whipple City the industry that has more than any other made the prosperity of the country. This was the first attempt to manufacture cotton goods in the State, and the success of the enterprise caused the building of other factories in many locations.

Anna L. Clarke, daughter of Judge Gaylord Judd and Frances Helen (Corey) Clarke, was born in Albany, New York, January 28, 1861, but was educated at St. Mary's Episcopal School, and at Knoxville College, Knoxville, Illinois. She was graduated from the latter institution, class of 1879, and shortly afterward returned East, on December 15, 1880, being united in marriage with Leonard House Giles, of Troy, New York, a sketch of whom precedes. The family home is the same as that to which she came as a bride more than forty years ago.

Mrs. Giles is a woman of attractive personality, of broad culture, and of pleasing address. In the social life of Troy she has been a leader for years, and her interests are many and varied. To the many useful lines of effort with which she is identified she brings a rare degree of enthusiasm, energy, and executive ability of a high order. She is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and of the City Planning Committee; is vice-president of the Young Women's Christian Association; secretary of the Troy Times Fresh Air Fund; and treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association; she was twice State regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and is now a director of the State Association. Mrs. Giles is a member and vice-president of the Bethsheda Home for Aged Women; is an ex-president of the Troy Girls' Club; a member of the Troy Women's Club, and of the Ilium Literary Club of Troy; a charter member of the

Thursday Morning Literary Club; and a life member of the National Geographical Society, the American Forestry Association, and the American Navy League. She is deeply interested in hospital work, and is manager of the Samaritan Hospital and member of the Rensselaer County Board of Child Welfare. In the civic affairs of her home city she is active, as well as in its religious life, her own church being the First Baptist, of Troy, the second oldest church in the city, which recently passed its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary. This church, of which Mr. and Mrs. Giles are both members, has benefited largely through their personal efforts and their generosity, receiving from them, in 1920, in addition to their former gifts, the beautiful organ that has been in the church since that year, and which has recently been enlarged and greatly improved through their continued interest in the provision of the best instrumental music for the congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles have traveled extensively, visiting many places of interest in the Southern seas, in Mediterranean Europe, and the Holy Land.

CURTIS GENEALOGY—This surname is derived from a Norman-French word *curteis* or *curtois*, meaning courteous, civil. The family settled very early in Kent, England. The coat-of-arms of the family of Kent and Sussex is:

Arms—Argent, a chevron sable between three bulls' heads cabossed gules.
Crest—A unicorn passant or, between four trees proper.

The pedigree of this family is traced as far back as Stephen Curtis, of Appledore, Kent, about 1450. Several of his descendants were mayors of the town of Tenterden, from which came some of the first settlers of Scituate and Roxbury, Massachusetts. Four Curtis brothers settled in Scituate: Richard, William, John, and Thomas. Thomas Curtis went to York, Maine; John appears to have left no descendants, while those of William and Richard are numerous in Massachusetts and Connecticut. There are three distinct families of this name in Connecticut early records, and two men, John and Thomas Curtice (Curtis), were among the early settlers of Wethersfield, Connecticut. Some of the descendants of this branch spell the name Curtis, the Stratford branch descendants retaining the double "s."

Another authority has the following to say concerning this family name, ancestry, and coat-of-arms: "There was an ancient family of the name of Curtois, resident in Appledore, county of Kent, Stephen Curtois, of that shire, was great-grandfather of Thomas Curtois, of Appledore, living in 1527, who wedded Joane, daughter and co-heir of Edward Twaights, Warden of Cinque Ports, and was succeeded by his son, William Curtois, Bailiff of Tenterden, in 1591, who had issue Thomas; another son, Mayor of Tenterden, in 1606, married Joan Pattenden, and left sons, George and Stephen."

In an ancient pedigree of the family, under the sign and seal of Segar, Garter, transcribed by John Phillipot, Blanch, Lion, and also in several

manuscripts in the Harleian Collection, the above arms are recorded. They were remaining on a glass in a window on the south side of Tonney Church in 1612, and are to be seen in the roof of the Cloisters of Christ Church, Canterbury. (Burke's "Heraldry").

(I) Thomas Curtice, born in England in 1598, settled in Connecticut, about 1636. He had a home-lot of six acres by the common on High street, Wethersfield, Connecticut, purchased of Richard Montague, February 20, 1659, and also a meadow and other lands granted later. He practiced medicine, and was relieved by an order of the General Court May 21, 1657, from "training, watching and warding during the practice of phissicke." He was a man of good reputation, a freeman in Wethersfield in 1669, and doubtless before that, and at the time of his death had a large estate for those days, *vis.* £717. He died November 13, 1681, in Wethersfield, Connecticut. His wife's name was Elizabeth, and they were the parents of the following children: John; James; Joseph, of further mention: Samuel; Isaac; Ruth, married Hon. Eleazer Kimberly, secretary of the colony; and Elizabeth, married John Stadder.

(II) Joseph Curtis, third son of Thomas and Elizabeth Curtice, was born March 31, 1644, and died December 31, 1683. In 1681 he was surveyor of highways, and also served as haywarden. He owned land and made several transfers. He married, February 8, 1674, Mercy ———. Children: Meribah, died aged ten years, born March 10, 1674-5, died January 15, 1684; Joseph (2), of further mention; Henry, born September 2, 1676; Mary, born September 2, 1677; Sarah, born September 23, 1679; Thomas, born December 24, 1680; and David, born November 29, 1682.

(III) Joseph (2) Curtis, son of Joseph (I) and Mercy Curtis, was born in Wethersfield, Connecticut, January 10, 1675-6, and died there December 31, 1765, aged about ninety-two years. He married Dorothy Edwards, December 7, 1708, born September 1681, died April 18, 1760, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Edwards. Children: Dorothy; Katherine; Joseph; Daniel; Sarah; Zachariah, of further mention; and Joseph.

(IV) Zachariah Curtis, son of Joseph (2) and Dorothy (Edwards) Curtis, was born in Wethersfield, Connecticut, September 13, 1719, died in Dorset, Vermont, May 14, 1805. He bought land in Goshen in 1749, and moved to Redhook-on-the-Hudson, in Dutchess county, New York, in 1750. From there he moved to Dorset, Vermont, where he purchased a tract of land one mile wide and six miles long. He was twice married, his first wife being Mary Ann; she died and he married Lena, daughter of Jacob W. Wheeler, of England. By his first wife he had thirteen children; by his second wife he had twelve. Several of his sons served in the Continental army. Twenty-one soldiers by the name of Curtis appear on the Vermont Revolutionary rolls. From lists of children given by different authorities it is known that Zachariah Curtis had sons: Josiah, Joshua, Salathial, Elias, Hezekiah, John, Honour, James, and Joseph. Of these the best evidence seems to point to Honour as head of the fifth generation, but of him little can be told.

(V) Honour Curtis, son of Zachariah Curtis, was born September

12, 1740. He married and among his children was a son, George, of further mention.

(VI) George Curtis, son of Honour Curtis, was born April 6, 1797, died September 4, 1867. He married Esther Moore, born in Schaghticoke, June 15, 1802, died February 25, 1872, a daughter of David and Rachel (Vandenburg) Moore, and a descendant of Andrew Moore of Paquonnock, Connecticut, who on February 15, 1671, married Sarah Phelps, daughter of Samuel Phelps, son of William Phelps, who came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1630, thence to Windsor, Connecticut, in 1636. Samuel Phelps married Sarah, daughter of Edward Griswold, and their daughter Sarah was born in March, 1653. The Phelps and Griswold families came from England. The line of descent from Andrew and Sarah (Phelps) Moore is through their son, Jonathan Moore, and his wife, Hannah Large; their son, Gideon Moore, and his wife, Anna M. Colton; their son, Charles Moore, a Revolutionary soldier, and his wife, Esther Bidwell; their son, David Moore, and his wife, Rachel Vandenberg; their daughter, Esther Moore, married George Curtis. George and Esther (Moore) Curtis were the parents of the following children: Raba, born August 2, 1824; Cornelius, born December 31, 1825; Horace T., of further mention; George H., born July 23, 1830; George H. (2), born May 12, 1832; Sidney R., born September 20, 1834; Charles E., born May 31, 1836; Henry C., born August 9, 1838; Francis E., born March 14, 1841; and Mary A., born March 8, 1848.

(VII) Horace T. Curtis, son of George and Esther (Moore) Curtis, was born October 3, 1827, died in Troy, New York, in 1900. For fifty years he was an employee of the Rensselaer Iron Company, of Troy, and there lived retired until his death. He married Ann Hopkins, born in Wales, she coming to Troy with her parents in 1837 and there residing until her death, July 9, 1899. Their son, Frederick William, is of further mention.

(VIII) Frederick William Curtis, son of Horace T. and Ann (Hopkins) Curtis, was born in Troy, New York, September 3, 1865, and there yet resides. He was educated in the public schools and began business life with F. M. Brower, druggist, in 1880. Later he was with the Robinson, Church Company, now The Gibson & Snow Company; then with S. H. Dauchy & Company, wholesale paints and oils; then again with F. M. Brower, later being admitted to a partnership. In 1898 he became sole owner of the business by purchase, and still continues its operation, conducting successfully both a wholesale and a retail business in drugs, paints, oils and glass. The building he occupies on Congress street and Fifth avenue he owns, occupying its four stores, and in addition rents nearly all the space on the block. Since 1898 he has operated without a partner. He is a man of strong, forceful character and pleasing personality, one who has made his own way in the world through intelligent, well directed, energetic effort. Mr. Curtis is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with lodge, chapter and commandery; is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine; a member of the Masonic Club; the Troy Club; and the Baptist church, which he serves as president of the board of trustees.

Frederick W. Curtis married, in the city of Troy, New York, Mary L. Vincent, daughter of Stephen and Cordelia (Lovdell) Vincent, of Troy. Their children are: Stephen Horace, a sketch of whom follows; Ralph Thomas, whose sketch follows that of Stephen Horace; and Helen Vincent, a graduate of Emma Willard School, of Troy, and La Salle Seminary, Auburn Lake, Massachusetts.

STEPHEN HORACE CURTIS, M. D., eldest son of Frederick W. and Mary L. (Vincent) Curtis, was born in Troy, New York, May 30, 1894. He completed a full course of public school study, finishing with high school, after which he read medicine and later entered Albany Medical College (Union University), whence he was graduated with the degree of Medical Doctor, class of 1915. He spent the following year as interne at Samaritan Hospital, then pursued post-graduate study at Bender Hygienic Laboratory, at Albany, New York, becoming a pathologist of note. He began study in Troy and was becoming established in practice when the United States declared war against Germany in 1917, and entered the World War. He at once offered his services and was commissioned first lieutenant of the Medical Reserve Corps, and in May, 1917, was assigned to active duty at Rockefeller Institute, New York City, for a course of instruction in special laboratory work. Later he was attached to the Army Medical School, at Washington, District of Columbia. After finishing that course he was commissioned first lieutenant of the Medical Corps of the United States army and assigned to South-eastern Department (Laboratory), Atlanta, Georgia. A year later he returned to Rockefeller Institute for further research and training. He was then assigned as instructor in military camps, so serving until August, 1918, when he was sent overseas in charge of a mobile field laboratory accompanying the 31st Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. In France he further served as pathologist and adjutant at Camp Hospital No. 64, and was director of laboratories of the Le Mans district, later being assigned to duty at Venereal Segregation Camp, at Brest, France. He resigned from the army in December, 1919, and resumed practice in Troy in January, 1920.

Dr. Curtis has modernly equipped offices at No. 80 First street, Troy. Since 1921 he has been director of the pathological laboratory at the Leonard Hospital; and is associate physician to the Samaritan Hospital and to Troy Orphan Asylum. In 1920 he was elected coroner of Rensselaer county, later reëlected for the same position, and is medical examiner for the New York Life Insurance Company. He is a member of the American Medical Association; New York State Medical Society; Rensselaer County Medical Society; Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity; Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; the Troy Club; and the Republican Club of Rensselaer county. He enjoys hunting and fishing and spends his vacations in the open.

Dr. Curtis married, January 16, 1918, Frances M. Burnham, daughter of Major-General William P. Burnham, United States army, and

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Grace (Meacham) Burnham. General Burnham commanded the 82nd Division, United States army, during the War with Germany, 1917-19, and is now commandant at the Presidio, San Francisco, California. Dr. and Mrs. Curtis are the parents of a son, Stephen Horace, Jr., born July 19, 1921. The family residence is at No. 80 First street, Troy.

RALPH THOMAS CURTIS, youngest son of Frederick W. and Mary L. (Vincent) Curtis, was born in Troy, New York, April 1, 1896. After completing the courses of study in Troy public schools and Troy Academy, he entered Union University as a student in Albany College of Pharmacy, finishing with the class of 1917. He then became associated in business with his father, wholesale and retail drugs, paints, oils and glass, Congress street and Fifth avenue, Troy, and still continues as manager of the drug department.

In December, 1917, Ralph T. Curtis enlisted and served six months in the Medical Supply Depot at New York City. He was then transferred to the Army Medical School, at Washington, District of Columbia, then was assigned to permanent duty at the school where he continued until honorably discharged April 17, 1919. He had been recommended for a second lieutenant's commission in the Sanitary Corps, but the close of the war prevented its issuing. Mr. Curtis is a member of the Kappa Psi fraternity; Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, No. 13, Royal Arch Masons; and Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine; and a member of Iran Grotto; the Masonic Club, and the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church.

Ralph T. Curtis married, in Troy, New York, August 15, 1922, Eveline MacCrum, daughter of Richard and Mary (Blakely) MacCrum. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis are the parents of a son, Ralph Thomas, Jr., born July 8, 1923.

CHARLES GILBERT EDDY—Few business men in the city of Troy are better known and none are more highly esteemed than is Charles Gilbert Eddy, president of the wholesale grocery firm of Harvey & Eddy Company, Inc., and a director and vice-president of the Union National Bank.

William Eddy, father of Mr. Eddy, came to the city of Troy about 1847, and in that same year engaged in the wholesale grocery business, in which he continued to the time of his death, which occurred in 1884. He was active in local public affairs, and at one time served as a member of the Board of Aldermen. He married, in Troy, Charlotte S. Nash, who survived him ten years, her death occurring in 1894.

Charles G. Eddy, son of William and Charlotte S. (Nash) Eddy, was born in Troy, New York. He received his education in the public schools of his native city, completing his school training with graduation from Troy High School. He began his active career as a cub reporter on the "Troy Times," but after gathering news for that publi-

cation for some time, he made a change and accepted a position as bookkeeper in the employ of Eddy, Corse & Company, later severing that connection and going to Holmes & Ide in the same capacity. The latter association he maintained until September 1, 1884, when he formed a partnership with David H. Harvey and engaged in the wholesale grocery business at No. 279 River street. Later the business was removed to No. 277 River street, but as the constantly increasing patronage made more spacious quarters necessary, the firm purchased the store at Nos. 199 and 201 River street, and on May 1, 1902, removed to that location, where the enterprise has been steadily growing and prospering to the present time (1923).

For a number of years the business was a small one, limited to the buying and selling of fish, salt, and provisions, but in 1896 a full line of wholesale groceries was added and since that time progress has been rapid. On September 1, 1909, the firm celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary and received the sincere congratulations of its many friends and associates, who appreciate the fact that the Harvey & Eddy Company, Inc., owns one of the soundest business houses in this section of the State. By January 1, 1912, the business had grown to proportions which made incorporation advisable and the concern became the Harvey & Eddy Company, Inc., with a capital of $125,000 backed by the incorporators, David H. Harvey, Charles G. Eddy, W. D. Barry, William A. Bird, and Arthur W. Clum. Mr. Harvey served as president and Mr. Eddy as vice-president and treasurer. Both Mr. Harvey and Mr. Eddy were then among the best known business men of northern and eastern New York, where both had traveled for many years. Upon the death of Mr. Harvey, November 26, 1917, Mr. Eddy became president of the corporation, and under his efficient direction the business has steadily prospered to the present time (1923).

Mr. Eddy is one of the oldest members of the Commercial Travelers' Association, and has been active in the advancement of the interests of that organization, serving for two years as its president and for several years as treasurer. He is also a member of the board of directors and vice-president of the Union National Bank of Troy, and for several years served as a member of the discount committee. He is a member and has served as president of the board of trustees of the Round Lake Association, and during the summer makes his home in that village. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. During the World War he served on several committees and took an active part in all the various war "drives," contributing a valuable share to the work of carrying his community "over the top." Fraternally he is a member of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Albany Consistory, Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Troy Club, the Commercial Travelers' Association, and of Troy Chamber of Commerce, on which he has served as a member of the board of directors.

It was a fine tribute as well as a deserved one which was paid to Mr. Eddy by Rev. Dr. Joseph H. Odell when after traveling through the territory which Mr. Eddy had frequented, as a traveling salesman, he noted the universal esteem and the hearty welcome accorded to Mr. Eddy wherever he went, and decided that the reason was to be found in just one fact—"After a while," said Mr. Odell, "the reason became clear to me—he had been kind. Kind to everyone, under all circumstances, and without any ulterior expectations. There was no condescension about his kindness, no affectation, no calculation. He simply looked upon every man, woman and child he met as one who had an inalienable right to a kind word, a kind handshake, a kind smile or a kind proffer of aid if need called for it. And everyone returned what he gave—full measure, pressed down and running over." In addition to the various connections already named, Mr. Eddy is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, which he serves as treasurer and as a member of the board of trustees.

At Troy, New York, October 18, 1882, Charles Gilbert Eddy married Addie N. Ingalls, of Troy, daughter of Truman E. and Sarah A. (Norton) Ingalls, both natives of Hartford, Washington county, New York.

IRWIN JOHNSTON, M. D.—In 1912 Dr. Johnston began the practice of medicine in his native city, Troy, and there continues, well established and highly regarded. He is a son of William H. and Sarah (Reynolds) Johnston, who at the time of the birth of their son were residents of Troy, later moving to Watervliet, New York.

Irwin Johnston was born in Troy, New York, June 5, 1886, and there began his education in Grammar School No. 9. He continued his studies in Watervliet Public School, finishing with graduation from high school, class of 1906. Prior to graduation to supply needed funds he capitalized his proficiency as an athlete by acting as instructor in athletics at St. Joseph's Club, Troy, and as a professional basketball player. After leaving high school he was employed for a year at the Troy Railroad Young Men's Christian Association and then began carrying out an ambition long formed by entering Albany Medical College (Union University). He entered in 1907 and remained four years, working as his studies permitted in the Troy Young Men's Christian Associations. He was graduated M. D., class of 1911, and for one year thereafter was interne at Samaritan Hospital, Troy. In 1912 he began private practice in Troy, and later pursued special courses in diseases of the nose and throat at the New York Post Graduate Hospital.

In addition to his private practice, Dr. Johnston is attending physician of the nose and throat departments of the Samaritan Hospital and Troy Orphan Asylum, and is surgeon in charge of the hospitals at the Burden Iron Works, at Neems Brothers, Inc., and Rensselaer Valve Works Foundry, He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society; New York State Medical Society; Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity;

King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and politically is a Republican. During the World War period with Germany Dr. Johnston was contract surgeon for the Students' Cadet Corps, formed at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy.

Dr. Johnston married, October 22, 1914, Grace B. Van Auken, daughter of Rev. Dr. Lansing and Fannie F. (Barnes) Van Auken. Dr. and Mrs. Johnston are the parents of a daughter, Dorothy Frances, born in Troy, September 14, 1918.

E. OGDEN ROSS—The years of the life of E. Ogden Ross have been spent in Troy, New York, and there he has compiled a record of usefulness that is most creditable. He is an honored member of the New York bar, has rendered public service to his city and her institutions, and given two sons, one to the church as a soldier of the Cross, the other to the militant service of his country, who on French and Belgian battlefields showed the true mettle of the United States khaki-clad soldier.

The founder of this branch of the Ross family in the United States was George Ross, a Scotchman, and while fighting for his King at Dunbar, September 3, 1650, was taken prisoner by the Parliamentary forces. Owing to his youth, he being then scarcely twenty, he was sentenced to transportation to the New England colonies, and a few months later was sent over in the ship "John and Sarah," arriving in Boston prior to May 28, 1650, when Rev. John Cotton refers to him in a letter. He was a carpenter by trade, and before 1658 had found his way to New Haven, Connecticut, where he was made a freeman. About 1670 he removed to Elizabethtown, New Jersey, where he was appointed lieutenant of the military company, December 3, 1683, and one of the judges of small causes May 1, 1686. He was also a deacon of the church, and died in Elizabethtown, in January, 1705. He married, in New Haven, Connecticut, December 7, 1658, Constance Little, who bore him sons: John; George and Daniel; also daughters: Elizabeth and Hannah. From this George Ross descends E. Ogden Ross, son of Elias and Mary E. (White) Ross.

Elias Ross, who died in Troy, New York, January 2, 1874, was a prosperous merchant of Troy, having a leather store at No. 355 River street from 1840 until his death, thirty-four years later. He was an alderman of Troy, a supervisor of Rensselaer county, and a charter member of Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons. He married Mary E. White, who died in Troy in 1881.

E. Ogden Ross, son of Elias and Mary E. (White) Ross, was born in Troy, New York, February 5, 1856, and attended Troy Academy, and primary and preparatory schools. From the academy he entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and finished two years' work there. The death of his father in the third year (1874) caused the young man to leave college and become a producer of income. He obtained a position in the office of the city engineer of Troy, and one year later, in 1875, he became an employee of the city comptroller, serving from June 2,

1875, until 1886, when he was promoted to the position of chief clerk, and at the same time was made secretary to the contracting board of the city of Troy. During those years he had begun and steadily pursued the study of law, and on September 13, 1888, at Saratoga, he was admitted to practice at the New York bar. He, however, retained his position in the city department until February 3, 1903, when he resigned and has since devoted himself to the practice of law. He is well established in a lucrative practice and is highly regarded by his contemporaries of his profession.

In June, 1876, Mr. Ross enlisted in the Sixth Separate Company, Troy Citizens' Corps, and was on duty in Troy during the labor riots in Albany, a month later. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and while it was known as the "Second Street Church" Mr. Ross was a member of its board of trustees. After the union of the latter church in 1910 with the First Church, he became clerk of the Session, and is still serving in that capacity. Since 1903 he has been an elder of the congregation, and is now writing a history of that church. He is also a corresponding member of the Historical and Biographical Society of New York City. He was a commissioner to the one hundred and thirty-fifth meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly in the United States of America, which met at Indianapolis in May, 1923, and served on several important committees. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; is a member and historian of William Floyd Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; and the Troy Burns' Club; and in addition to other literary work of a historical nature that has been performed by Mr. Ross, is a just completed "History of the Governors of New York, from George Clinton to Grover Cleveland."

E. Ogden Ross married, November 14, 1888, Jennie M. Neely, daughter of William Neely, a wholesale boot and shoe merchant of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Ross are the parents of two children: 1. William Neely, born in Troy, New York, September 30, 1889, was graduated from Troy High School after pursuing a full course in the public schools from the primary onward, then entered Columbia University, whence he was graduated A. B., class of 1911. He chose the holy calling, and prepared in Union Theological Seminary, New York City, there receiving the degree of B. D., class of 1914. He was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church, and was called to the pastorate of Chelsea Presbyterian Church, New York City. In 1922 he received from Iowa University the honorary degree of D. D. He married, June 20, 1916, Catharine Louise Terry, daughter of Charles Appleton and Mary (Cady) Terry, her father, vice-president of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. Rev. William N. and Catharine L. (Terry) Ross are the parents of two sons: Charles Terry, born July 4, 1917; and William Ogden, born December 14, 1921. 2. Ogden J., a sketch of whom follows.

CAPTAIN OGDEN J. ROSS—One of the well-known figures in the city of Troy, New York, is Captain Ogden J. Ross, whose preparation

for his career included a course in law at Albany Law School, but whose military activities and public service have as yet absorbed his time to the exclusion of the private practice of his profession. He is one of the popular young men of the city, and a son of one of the foremost lawyers of the day in Rensselaer county.

Ogden J. Ross, son of E. Ogden and Jennie M. (Neely) Ross (see preceding sketch), was born in Troy, New York, April 6, 1893. His education was begun in the Troy public schools, and he is a graduate of Troy High School, class of 1910. Following one year of post graduate work at high school, he spent a year on newspaper work, then entered Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1915, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He began to serve his clerkship, but before the date set for his bar examinations, his regiment was called to the Mexican border (1916). Captain Ross' military record begins with his enlistment in 1910 in the 2nd New York Infantry, now the 105th Regiment (popularly known as "Troy's Own"), National Guard, of New York, as private. With this regiment he went to the Mexican border in 1916, and shortly after his return the United States entered the World War. He was commissioned second lieutenant of the 105th Regiment, which was a unit in the 27th Division, American Expeditionary Forces, and was sent to France with one of the first American units. Promoted to captain in France, he served in most of the engagements in which the 105th Infantry figured, and was twice wounded. Some of the notable engagements in which Captain Ross participated were: Hindenburg line; Vierstraat Ridge; The Knoll; Guillemont Farm; Quennemont Farm; East Poperinghe line; Dickebusch sector. Captain Ross received a citation from the 27th Division Headquarters, the Belgian Croix de Guerre, and the Conspicuous Service Cross. He was in several different hospitals in France, also at Tottenham Court Hospital, and St. Catherine's Hospital, in England. Returning to this country, Captain Ross reached Troy on April 2, 1919, and is now captain of Company A, 105th Infantry, the local name of which is the Troy Citizens' Corps. He is a member of the American Legion, and of the Troy Sector of the 27th Division Association, of which last-named he is president. In the fall of the year of his return (November, 1919), Captain Ross was elected city treasurer of Troy, and his reëlection to the same office in November of 1921 retains him as treasurer until at least the close of the present year (1923). The responsibilities of this office command his time so fully that he has thus far never practiced law. Captain Ross is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; of the Troy Club; and vice-president of the Troy Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is an officer of the First Presbyterian Church.

Captain Ross married, in Troy, New York, February 17, 1920, Elizabeth W. Cheney, of Troy, daughter of Frederick A. and Bess (Wotkyns) Cheney, a graduate of the Emma Willard School, a member of the Emma Willard Alumni Association, and well known in charitable and benevolent activities in this city. Mrs. Ross serves on the Women's Board of the Samaritan Hospital and the Troy Orphan Asylum.

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PETER COMINGES BRASHEAR—As president of the Fort Orange Paper Company, Peter Cominges Brashear is at the head of one of the largest paper board and folding box manufactories in the world. Better still, he is at the head of a concern which is built upon a "golden rule" policy of progress, and is shaping its course along the lines of coöperation and a square deal for both employees and public.

Mr. Brashear is a descendant of the old French family of De Brassier. The earliest record of this family is found in "Nobiliaire Universel," published by M. Le Vicomte De Magny, in 1856. At the beginning of twenty-two pages of genealogy, crests and ducal crowns, the writer says: "The house of Brassier, whose nobility of ancient extraction reverts incontestably to the 14th Century, has its origin in the province of Champagne, whence it spread itself successively into Provence, Rouergue, Lorraine and Germany, where many of its members enjoy up to this time high positions."

In 1658 Benois Brassier and his brother, Robert B., Jr., emigrated to Maryland; and from there they moved to Virginia. Their descendants are clearly traced to Brownsville, Pennsylvania, where they intermarried with the family of Thomas Brown, founder of that city. From Brownsville, Pennsylvania, came the famous Pittsburgh astronomer, Dr. John A. Brashear. Just before the Revolutionary War, William Richard, and Maurice Brashear moved from Brownsville, Pennsylvania, to the falls of the Ohio river, and assisted in building the first fort at that point and in laying out the present city of Louisville, Kentucky. These three brothers appear to have engaged in all of the fighting that was going on about that time. Captain Richard Brashear commanded a company under Colonel George Rogers Clark on his famous march to Vincennes. William and Maurice also fought in the Revolutionary War.

To escape the malaria of the lowlands, William Brashear, the great-great-grandfather of Mr. Brashear, "took up" a thousand acres of land about forty miles south of Louisville, near the present town of Bardstown, in Nelson county, and built there the first fort in that locality. This land adjoined that of Colonel Boone. William Brashear was killed by the Indians, and his son, Joseph, at an early age assumed the responsibilities of the family. Joseph as a boy was captured by the Indians, and the story of his escape would out-thrill a dime novel. Joseph married Elizabeth Cominges, who was a descendant of the house of De Cominges, and, quoting again from "Nobiliaire Universel": "Cominges, an old section of country situated at the foot of the Pyrenees which had, since the 9th century, its hereditary counts and sovereigns." One of the seven children springing from this marriage was Peter Cominges Brashear, born in 1801.

Joseph Brashear left Nelson county, went to Breckenridge county, Kentucky, and "took up" a large tract of land on Sinking creek, four miles south of what was later known as Stephensport, where he built a series of log houses for residence, negro quarters, stables, and so forth, and circling the whole was a race track. Joseph was a student as well

as a pioneer and Indian fighter. He had the first library in that section of the country. Before courts of law were established, the pioneer settlers would travel for miles to consult him and settle their disputes.

At the age of sixteen, Peter, the son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Cominges) Brashear, in a quarrel with his stepmother ran away from home on a fine horse of his own and with a silver quarter in his pocket. He voyaged down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans, became enamored of the life, made money, and came back to Stephensport, Breckenridge county, where he bought a large tract of land and began freighting from that port to New Orleans. The freighting then, before the advent of steamboats, was done by flatboat. These boats were built of hand-hewn logs put together with wooden pins. The cargoes consisted largely of lime, hoop poles, potatoes, corn, and other farm products. The boats floated down the rivers with the current and were brought by cordelling,—that is, by walking along the shore and pulling them up by a tow line, or by hitching the tow line to a tree or rock and winding up by a hand windlass on the bow of the boat. It took six months to make a round trip. These flatboats had to travel in fleets numbering from six to twelve, for two reasons: first, to insure a sufficient number of men to man the boats one at a time past the difficult places; second, to protect the gold brought home. At Cave-in-the-Rock, Illinois, was a famous nest of robbers who waylaid the returning voyagers, and it depended upon which side was the strongest as to whether the men or gold or boats returned home. Peter Cominges Brashear made a map of the soundings of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers from Stephensport to New Orleans. He followed farming and boating throughout his life and was very successful. He was born in 1801 and died in 1867.

Joseph D. Brashear, son of Peter Cominges and Mehitable (Cox) Brashear, now deceased, was born in Stephensport in 1842 and died in Louisville in 1909. After receiving his education in the private schools of Owensboro and Louisville, he married Anna Mary Scott, and to them were born two children: Peter Cominges Brashear, the subject of this sketch; and a daughter, Gense Brashear. Mr. Brashear's mother is still living, and resides with her daughter at Louisville, Kentucky. Joseph David Brashear engaged in the tobacco business at Cloverport and Owensboro and had extensive mining interests in Colorado and New Mexico. He was one of the pioneers who founded Leadville, Colorado.

Peter Cominges Brashear, son of Joseph David and Anna Mary (Scott) Brashear, was born in Stephensport, Kentucky, January 20, 1867. He received his early education under private tutors and in the public schools, and then matriculated in Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana, and took a B. S. course with the class of 1888. Upon completion of his college course he entered the employ of the First National Bank of Owensboro, Kentucky, and that connection he maintained for a period of eight years. At the end of that time he severed his connection with the bank and entered Federal employ in the internal revenue service at Owensboro, where he remained for four years. His next position was with the Provident Savings and Life Insurance Company of New York City, which concern he served as auditor for ten years.

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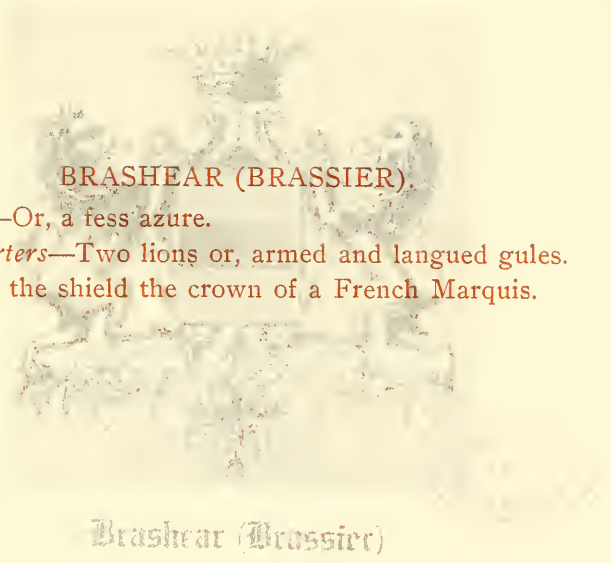

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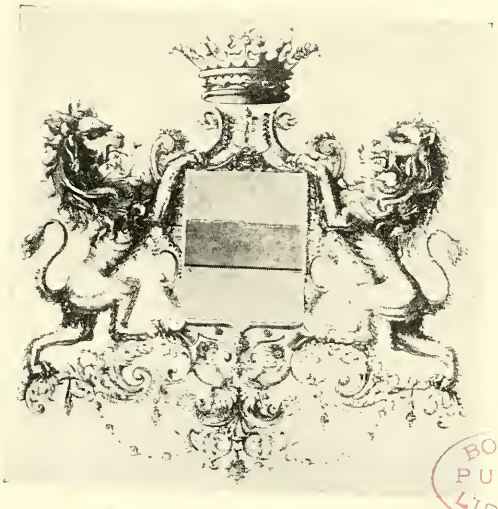

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Brashear (Brassier)

Fourteen years ago he became identified with the Fort Orange Paper Company of Castleton-on-Hudson, New York, as vice-president and treasurer, and in 1917 he was elected president of the company. The Fort Orange Paper Company, a full account of the history of which appears herewith, represents the most modern methods both in theory and practice, and is one of the representative manufacturing concerns which is demonstrating the practicability of the golden rule principle in business. In addition to his responsibilities as chief executive of one of the most progressive paper manufacturing industries in the world, Mr. Brashear is also president of the Castleton Building, Savings and Loan Association, of Castleton, and a member of the board of directors of the Paper Industries Exchange of Chicago and New York City.

He has always been ready to contribute his share to the advancement of the public welfare. At the time of the Spanish-American War in 1898 he enlisted and was promoted to a regimental staff office and commissioned first lieutenant and quartermaster of the 4th Kentucky Infantry, U. S. V. During the period of the participation of the United States in the World War he served as chairman of the Liberty Loan Committee for Schodack, Rensselaer county, and took an active part in all of the various "drives." Fraternally he is affiliated with Sunnyside Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Castleton, New York, as master Mason; with Sigma Chi college fraternity; and with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Fort Orange Club and Albany Country Club, of Albany, New York. His religious interest is with St. Peter's Episcopal Church of Albany, of which he is an attendant and pew holder.

At Lexington, Kentucky, June 8, 1904, Peter Cominges Brashear married Rida Cronley Payne, daughter of Walter Scott and Maria (Ingels) Payne. "Town Topics," the New York City publication, says of this marriage in its issue of April 28, 1904:

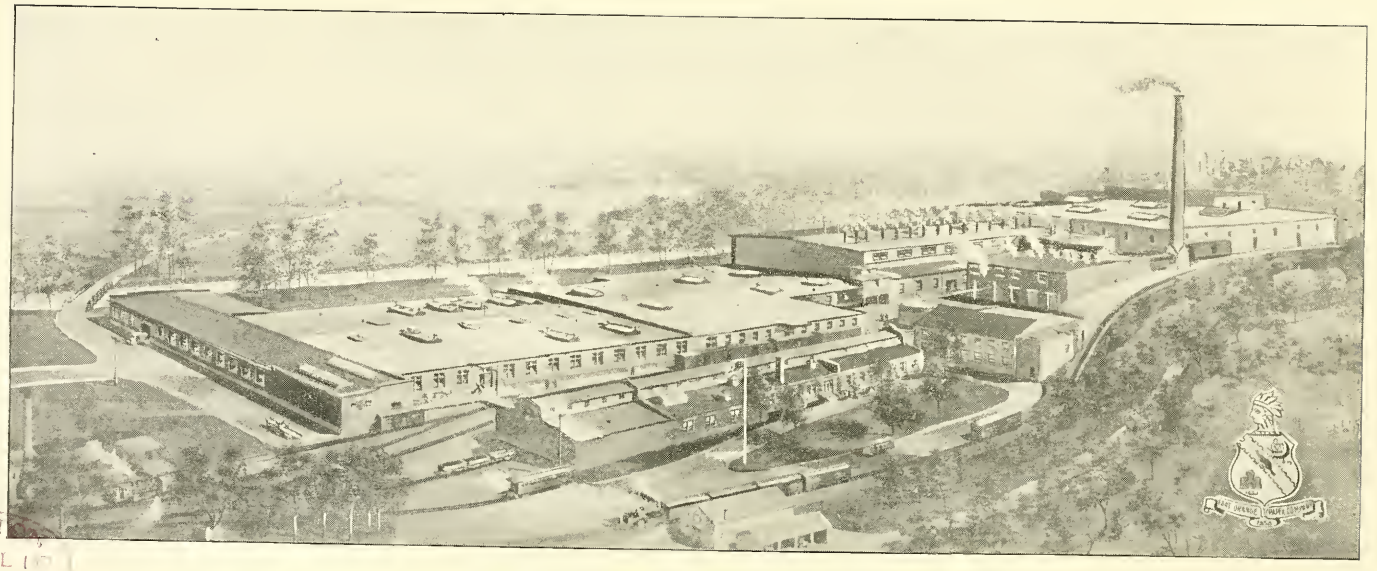
> Miss Rida Cronley Payne, of Lexington, has just become engaged to Peter Cominges Brashear, to the delight of Smart Society generally in the Blue Grass Capital. Miss Payne is the daughter of Walter Scott Payne, a wealthy landowner and member of one of Kentucky's oldest and most influential families. Since her coming out ball, she has been a belle; is beautiful, amiable and accomplished; and has travelled extensively. There have been many suitors for her hand, and her selection is a progressive young business man highly esteemed. The wedding will be a handsome society event at "Maplewood," the country home of the bride, on June 8th.

Mrs. Brashear was born at Ingelside, near Lexington, Kentucky. This is one of the noted estates of the Blue Grass region and the hereditary seat of the family of Mr. Brashear's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Brashear are the parents of one daughter, Gense (2nd), who was born in New York City, March 2, 1907, and received her education in the Emma Willard School of Troy, New York; in St. Agnes' School, Albany, New York; and in Miss Porter's School at Farmington, Connecticut. Their home is the "Pointed Firs." This beautiful estate is situated on a hill overlooking the Hudson river at Castleton-on-Hudson, New York. Their town house is No. 6 Elk street, Albany, New York.

FORT ORANGE PAPER COMPANY, Castleton-on-Hudson—In all the economic world of to-day there is no more potent factor than the manufacturing concerns which, organized for the accomplishment of a definite purpose, shaped and developed by the needs of the special line of production in which they are engaged, and continuously influenced by the ideals of their founders, owners and managers, as well as by public opinion, have become marvelously effective engines of achievement. They are also wonderfully effective training and developing schools, and the publicist who would rightly read the present trend of the times and accurately predict concerning the possibilities of the future must keep his eye upon the great "schools of organization and coöperation," which are directly influencing, for good or for ill, more individuals than are our schools and our churches combined.

Just above Castleton-on-Hudson and back from the river, in a picturesque valley is located one of the steadily increasing number of manufacturing concerns of the country which recognize the responsibilities of power. There is the home of the Fort Orange Paper Company, one of the largest manufacturers of paper board and folding boxes in the country, and there the "golden rule" policy of progress and a "square deal" bring to both owners and employees a full measure of success. The original paper mill was erected in 1858 by Charles Van Benthuysen, who successfully operated it until July, 1881, at which time the concern was incorporated under the name of the Fort Orange Paper Company. Its original product was print paper, but a few years after its establishment it was converted into a plant for the production of government postal cards, in which capacity it received contracts from the post office department for a long period. Some years ago, when the folding paper box came into existence and the demand for better grades of cardboard increased, the company engaged in this line of production and began the manufacture of box boards. At this time the great volume of foodstuffs handled by merchants and consumed by the people was wrapped by the grocer in brown paper or handled in the poke, or paper bag. These methods were wasteful of both time and material, and were also often unsanitary. As ideals of better sanitation spread among the people and the better ideals of efficiency began to influence the methods of manufacturers and merchants, the carton began to come into use, and as the demand increased, the Fort Orange Paper Company opened a box factory which included a large printing plant. This has been so developed that at the present time the company produces folding paper boxes, including every process of manufacture, from the making of the paper and the printing ink and plates to the final decorations of the finished article. The idea of the carton has produced a revolution in packing, and while food stuffs have probably the greatest use for this method of packing, it is also true that the range of articles packed in these receptacles runs from tacks to ladies' gowns. It is true that every store in the land handles from thousands to millions of carton-packed products every year. When the fact is taken into consideration that twenty-five years ago these convenient little receptacles were unknown, the rapid



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growth of this branch of the manufacturing industry becomes clear. One of the greatest values of this method of packing is its advertising feature. What the carton contains is advertised on the shelves of the merchants and in the home of the consumer, and it still serves as an advertising medium even when it is consigned to the waste basket or while it is on its final journey in the junk man's cart. The "last word" in efficiency is found in the folding carton which is shipped "knocked-down" or flat. This is a great saving of time and expense in transportation, the capacity of a single railroad car being sufficient for a half million of sugar cartons of the two-pound size.

Unless one becomes familiar with all the processes of the manufacture, he can have little idea of the amount of work entailed in the production of this simple little article of every day use. From the felling of the tree in the forest to the operations of the pulp mill, where the wood is converted into a fibrous mass known as wood pulp, thence to the paper mills, where the wood pulp is converted into paper board, then to the printing presses, the die cutting and creasing machines, the gluing and packing machines, and finally to the shipping room from which it is sent to the manufacturer of the article that it is to contain—all these processes require skilled labor and the aid of many marvelous machines in order that the finished article may be turned out well made, attractive in appearance and in large numbers.

While men are employed exclusively in the Fort Orange paper mill, women operate many of the machines in the box factory and feed the great cylinder presses, some of which print the boxes in colors, cut out the blank and crease the box for proper folding, all at one time. The final operation is the folding and gluing of the box. This is accomplished on what is known as the automatic glue machine. A battery of these, operated entirely by girls, turns out a constant stream of finished boxes counted and neatly piled, at the rate of more than two million a day.

The Fort Orange Paper Company's plant is ideally located for its line of manufacture. Back in a hollow formed by a stream, which is the mill's water supply, are the buildings surrounded by trees and lawns, making it a delightful spot in summer as well as sheltered in the winter. The working conditions in general are truly modern. Precautions are taken not only to safeguard the health of the employees but to make the plant a place where work is a pleasure. The company, in the belief that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," encourages sports at every opportunity. The main activities along this line are baseball, on the company diamond, and bowling, on Albany alleys. A schedule is planned for the winter and summer seasons, including both inter-departmental games and contests with neighboring teams. These features arouse keen interest among players and spectators, and their popularity has increased with each returning season.

A well-appointed rest room, with a matron nurse in charge, is provided for the girls, who are allowed to work for short periods only, so that they do not become over-fatigued. The women employees of the

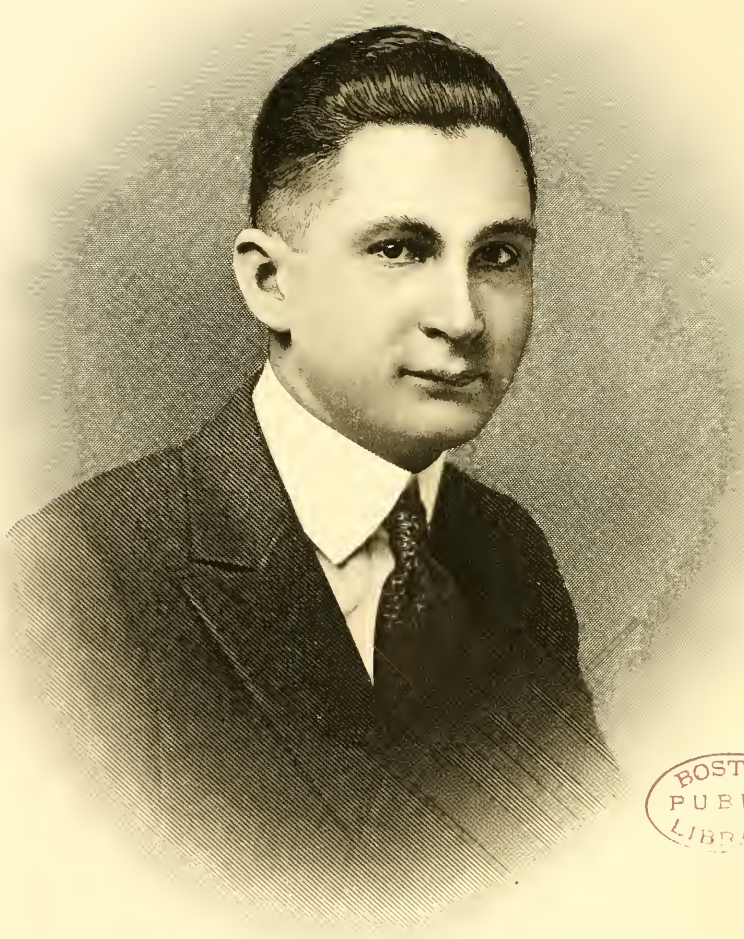
box factory dress in a uniform of khaki, designed for comfort and convenience. This is also a safeguard against accident. Some of the girls have come to Fort Orange from various parts of the country, and to accommodate those who wish to live in Castleton, a girls' club house and dormitory, supervised by a house mother, is maintained in the town. The equipment of this club is attractive and complete, with excellent culinary arrangements, comfortable rooms, shower and tub baths. The living room is especially inviting, with a large open fire place, pool table, player piano, victrola, and various other modern furnishings which contribute to the comfort and pleasure of the girls. All of these features, combined with excellent management, make the Fopaco Girls' Club a most attractive abode.

In 1910 the company established an informal training school for young men who want to learn the business. Graduates have been welcomed from such Eastern colleges as Amherst and Rutgers, and Southern institutions like Centre, and the University of Kentucky. Technical courses, especially paper making at the University of Syracuse, have also furnished excellent recruits for important openings in the organization. An unusually inviting and home-like club house has been equipped for the unmarried men, where a wholesome community life is enjoyed.

As the road from Castleton to Rensselaer and Albany is an excellent one, many of the employees living in these cities prefer to make the trip each day, and for their convenience, the company operates several large auto busses, furnishing free transportation to both men and women from out of town. Another unique feature is the private railroad operated by the company between the plant and the town. A special train makes frequent trips to take employees to and from the plant.

Good food is conceded to be a necessary requisite in efficient production, and the Fort Orange Paper Company has given special attention to this important feature. Their restaurant, established in 1918, is run on the self-service plan. Light meals can be had at modest prices, or a regular "man-sized" dinner is served at noon for the price of twenty-five cents, and although the cost is much more than this, the company considers its loss a good investment in the added production from well-fed employees. If you want a sample of beating the high cost of food, drop in at the Fort Orange Restaurant when you are in Castleton, and try a home-cooked dinner for a quarter. Visitors are always welcome.

The present capitalization of the company is 10,000 shares of no par value common stock, and 5,000 shares of authorized preferred stock, 2,000 shares of which have been issued and are outstanding. The present officers of the company are: Peter C. Brashear, president, a sketch of whom precedes; W. Gordon Latham, vice-president; Robert S. Harris, secretary; and William T. Sawyer, treasurer. The plant and executive offices of the Fort Orange Paper Company are located at Castleton-on-Hudson, New York, and branch offices are located at No. 200 Fifth avenue, New York City; No. 6 Beacon street, Boston, Massachusetts; and No. 1201 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



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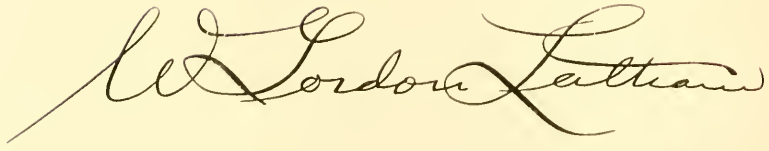


WILLIAM GORDON LATHAM—Born and educated in the Old Dominion State, Mr. Latham came to the Empire State in boyhood, and in the Troy district has become well known and influential. He has spent his entire business life with one of the leading paper manufacturing houses of that district, having entered the Fort Orange Paper Company as an apprentice and become thorough master of every detail. From that lowly position, taken as a boy, Mr. Latham has risen to the office of vice-president, and an important place on the board of directors. He is the son of John Wilbur and Mary (Hart) Latham, his parents still living in their native Virginia, his father a farmer and stock raiser.

Arms—Or, on a chief indented azure three bezants.
Crest—On a chapeau gules, turned up ermine, an eagle, with wings expanded or, preying on an infant proper, swaddled gules, banded argent.
Motto—Sans changer. (Without changing).

Mr. Latham is a direct descendant of the Lewis Latham, of Lancastershire, who was a sergeant falconer to Charles I from 1627 until his death in 1655 During this ancestor's residence on the old Latham estate, the crest described above was adopted. An old visitation found in a college of arms, Lancastershire, says regarding it, "A child, afterwards found to have been of royal blood, was discovered in an eagle's nest on the land of the Lathams, and that, it is assumed, was the origin of the crest."

William Latham, son of Lewis Latham, was a passenger on the historic "Mayflower," and lived in Plymouth until 1623, in Duxbury until 1637, and in Marshfield up to 1648. After remaining in the colonies for over twenty years, he returned to England; he soon joined a group of colonists in the Bahama Islands, where he, together with a number of other pioneers, starved to death about the year 1651.

Robert Latham, son of William Latham, married Susanna Winslow, daughter of John and Mary (Chilton) Winslow. Susanna's grandmother was the Mary Chilton said to be the first white woman to step on Plymouth soil.

Captain William Latham, son of Robert and Susanna (Winslow) Latham, married Mary Avery, daughter of Colonel Ebenezer Avery and Dorothy (Park) Avery, of Connecticut, where the Lathams made their home. To this union were born four sons: Robert, Thomas, John and Dickey. The last mentioned boy moved to the northern part of New York, upon reaching manhood, while the other three brothers journeyed from the Empire State to Virginia. Robert became a Baptist minister in the South. His sons were Thomas, John, and Robert. Thomas and John settled in Prince William county, while Robert made a home in Culpepper county. The present Latham homestead was built at this time by the two brothers who remained in Prince William county, and here was born John Wilbur Latham, son of Thomas Latham, and father of William Gordon Latham.

John Wilbur Latham married Mary Hart, and lived in the old homestead. To them have been born five children: Mabel, John, Edna, Carroll, and William Gordon.

William Gordon Latham, youngest of this family, was born in Woolsey, Virginia, February 22, 1896. His education, obtained in public and private schools, led to graduation from high school at the age of fifteen. He then became a student at Western Home School, Cazanova, Virginia, but he left the institution in 1912 for the purpose of joining the Fort Orange Paper Company at Castleton-on-Hudson, New York, one of the leading paper manufacturing houses in the Troy district.

This organization devotes more than usual care to the training of young men for positions of responsibility, and it was in the informal school established for the purpose that Mr. Latham rose from apprenticeship to mastery of the paper-making craft. He performed duties in every department of the plant, and developed with the business. So successful was this regime that, at the end of five years, he was appointed superintendent, and another three years of service raised him to the vice-presidency, as well as membership on the board of directors and executive committee of the Fort Orange Paper Company. In addition to these duties, Mr. Latham is a director of the Castleton Building, Savings and Loan Association.

In 1917 he became a member of the Home Defense Reserve Company of Castleton, where he served as first lieutenant for about one year. Enlisting in the United States Army, in March, 1918, he was assigned to training camp at Oswego, going thence to Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, New York. He was next attached to the Thirty-eighth Regiment, Heavy Artillery, at Camp Eustis, Virginia, and finally embarked at Camp Stuart. November 8, 1918. Three days later the armistice was signed, and the ship, then in mid-ocean, was recalled to the United States by wireless. He was honorably discharged in December, 1918, and returned to his home.

Mr. Latham is a Republican in politics, and a member of Castleton Presbyterian Church. He is affiliated with Sunnyside Lodge, No. 731, Free and Accepted Masons, of Castleton, New York, and with the Scottish Rite bodies of Albany, New York, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is a Noble of Cypress Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and member of the Fort Orange Club of Albany and the Albany Country Club.

Mr. Latham married, February 28, 1920, Dorothy Morris, of Albany, daughter of William Tremain and Jean (Davis) Morris. Mr. and Mrs. Latham are the parents of one daughter, Jean Greer, born January 24, 1922. The family home is at Castleton, New York.

CORNELIUS OGDEN SMITH—In the city of Brooklyn, New York, where Cornelius Ogden Smith, now a trade association executive of the city of Troy, New York, first saw the light, his family were long seated, his father, Anthony Ogden Smith, a member of the old Volunteer Fire Department of that city. Anthony O. Smith was a wholesale dry goods and notions merchant and married Sophie (Craig) Van Ness.

Cornelius Ogden Smith was born in Brooklyn, New York, November 15, 1874, and there he attended Public School No. 11, later completing

his studies under private instruction. After leaving school at the age of thirteen years, he worked on a farm for a short time and then entered the employ of the Royal Baking Powder Company, of New York City, where he remained for about seven years, during this period advancing from office boy to chief clerk in the advertising department. His first independent venture was in the roofing business, which included concrete work and waterproofing, and during the twenty years that he followed that line he organized and was executive officer of several contractors' associations. He was also connected with the manufacture and sale of clocks, until accepting his present position as secretary of the Association of Collar Manufacturers, with offices in the Rice building, Troy, New York. He was also for a number of years a supervisor of free public lectures in Newark, New Jersey, public schools. While living in Newark Mr. Smith organized the Parents' Association of Garfield School in the Roseville section of that city, his interest in public schools having brought him into close touch with educational matters wherever business has taken him. When he left Newark he was presented with the following evidence of the esteem of the Garfield School faculty, signed by the principal and every teacher of the school:

BOARD OF EDUCATION,
GARFIELD SCHOOL,
NEWARK, N. J.

THOS. T. COLLARD, Principal.

January 8, 1920.

MR. C. O. SMITH, President,
Parents' and Teachers' Association,
Newark, N. J.

DEAR MR. SMITH:

We desire to express to you our great appreciation of the many things you have done to improve Garfield School and to give encouragement to the teachers in the performance of their daily work, both inside and outside of the classroom. As the leader of the Parents' and Teachers' Association you have accomplished great results too numerous to mention. We believe we owe largely to your efforts the new addition made to the Garfield School building.

Your leadership has done much to improve the attitude of the parents and our local community toward the school. Our sorrow over the fact that you must now, by reason of leaving the city, sever your active relations with the school, is beyond our power of expression.

We wish you health, happiness and success in your new field. We hope you will have the opportunity to continue your good work wherever you are, in the cause of education upon which the civilization and enlightenment, peace and prosperity of the people depend.

Again thanking you for all that you have accomplished, we remain,

Your sincere friends,

(Signed by the Principal and all the teachers, 35 in number).

In younger years Mr. Smith was a member of Company A, in Brooklyn's famous Twenty-third Regiment, New York National Guard. He is a member of the Masonic order; a member of the Young Men's Christian Association; chairman of the Boys' Committee of the Troy Rotary Club; and of the Troy Club. In religious faith he is a Presby-

terian; in politics a Republican. During the World War he was a "four-minute" speaker in Newark and gave diligent service to war causes.

Mr. Smith married, in Brooklyn, New York, April 12, 1898, Clara Louise Weaver, daughter of Samuel E. and Lydia (Heath) Weaver. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of three children: Cornelius Ogden, born February 24, 1899; Romeyn Woolsey, born August 28, 1900; Harriet Elizabeth, born September 1, 1906. The family home is at No. 25 Hawthorne avenue, Troy, New York.

JAMES BELL CALDWELL—Length of years has been vouchsafed to James B. Caldwell, who passed into the ranks of octogenarians on June 25, 1923, and those years, minus the time spent learning his trade and in home and foreign travel, have been passed in Troy, the city of his birth. He is a familiar figure at meetings of the Exempt Firemen's Association of the city and always an honored guest, for he is the last surviving charter member of that association. He is credited with being one of Troy's most widely traveled men, having made many tours of Europe, crossing the Atlantic a number of times, and he has journeyed far from the beaten trail to out-of-the-way parts of the earth. Many years ago he retired from business, and in contentment and ease he is passing his declining years.

James and Nancy (Sample) Caldwell, his parents, came from Londonderry, Ireland, early in the decade of 1830-1840, and settled in Troy, New York, where James Caldwell died, in October, 1851. Their son, James B. Caldwell, was born in Troy, June 25, 1843, and there yet resides. He was educated in the Third Ward Public School and at night schools, then was apprenticed to the tailor's trade, beginning in 1854 under Bernard Montague, first, as an errand boy. He remained with Mr. Montague some time, then went to New York, where he completed his trade, later returning to Troy. Bernard Montague came to Troy with an established reputation, having been a partner in the firm of Cooney & Montague, fashionable tailors, of Cannon place, Washington square, a firm established in 1839. After coming to Troy he continued in successful business as Troy's leading tailor until his death in 1866. James B. Caldwell, after his return to Troy, again entered Mr. Montague's employ and was soon enjoying a distinctive reputation as a faultless cutter and tailor. After Mr. Montague died, William Hyland, his foreman, was engaged to conduct the business for Mrs. Montague, so continuing until 1870, under the firm name, A. Montague. Mr. Hyland died in 1870, and in 1871 James B. Caldwell acted as manager for Mrs. Montague, extending the business and bearing its increasing responsibilities. In 1873 he was admitted to a partnership, the firm then becoming A. Montague & Company. The firm A. Montague & Company continued until 1885, when Mrs. Montague died, James B. Caldwell then becoming sole proprietor. From that time the business spread even beyond the seas, and for eleven years Mr. Caldwell shouldered all its responsibilities. In 1896 Philip A. Morse, of Troy, was admitted to a partnership. Caldwell & Morse later succeeding J. B. Caldwell & Com-

pany. In 1906, Mr. Caldwell retired from the business which he had made famous, his place being taken by his son, Charles H. Caldwell. Since 1906 the veteran tailor has enjoyed relaxation from business in his own quiet way, and is yet greatly in evidence in Troy, the city of his birth.

Mr. Caldwell's place of business was in the Times building, Caldwell's Tailor Shop or "Jimmie's," as he was known familiarly, being well remembered. He was a persistent traveler, Paris, London, Berlin and other European localities, which places give origin to new styles in men's clothing, being as familiar to him in earlier days as the streets of Troy. Twenty-two times he crossed the Atlantic, going first alone in 1886. He has toured France, Ireland, England, Scotland, Switzerland, Holland, Germany, Belgium and Austria, and it is a real treat to discuss European countries with him. His acquaintance extends to all parts of the world, and his personal friendships included in those days Hill Brothers in London, and Hobson & Keene, London merchants. Several times he brought expert tailors from Europe, and at one time he had forty Irishmen in his employ, all of whom had learned their trade in the old country. (Mr. Caldwell has survived all of them). He also had Italians, Danes, Germans, Russians, Frenchmen, Swedes and Poles, right from their native heaths, to give to Caldwell's shop the real finish of European style. Caldwell's clothes were sent to every quarter, even Alaskan officials, Governor Rogers and Collector Daly, battling the Arctic cold in clothes made for them at Caldwell's, and that was true of hundreds living in far away parts of the United States.

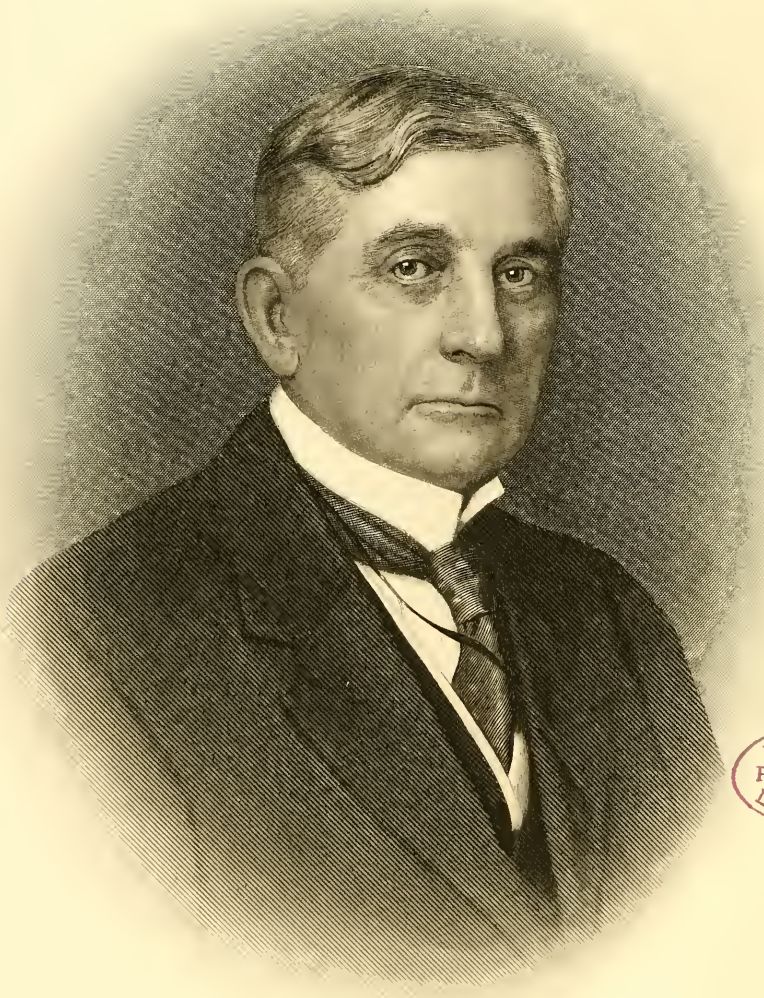
During the Civil War Period, 1861-62, Mr. Caldwell made cartridges at the Watervliet Arsenal and helped to make the uniforms worn by Generals Carr and Tibbits. When the great parade was held in 1865, the uniforms worn by the entire staff of General Carr and the staff of General Alden were made at "Caldwell's," as were those of the 123rd Regiment, New York National Guard, from Washington county. Mr. Caldwell was himself an enlisted man of Company D, 24th Regiment, New York Infantry. In early years he was a member of Premier Fire Company No. 1, serving later with Sheriff Hotchkin, Frank Brownell, Edward Murphy, Jr., and Colonel Ellsworth. After completing a legal term of service as a volunteer fireman, he became an exempt fireman upon the organization of the Exempt Firemen's Association in 1873 by James B. Caldwell and Sheriff Albert L. Hotchkin. In religious faith he is an Episcopalian, and in politics a Republican, casting his first vote for Lincoln in 1864, and never voted for any other President but "Teddy" Roosevelt.

James B. Caldwell married, May 18, 1870, Amanda Louise Padley, who died in August, 1911, daughter of Richard G. and Louise Padley; her parents, born in England, came to the United States about 1835. To Mr. and Mrs. James B. Caldwell two children were born: Charles H., who is his father's business associate and successor; and Margaret A., who married Charles S. McMath, of Troy, New York.

On business and pleasure bent, Mr. Caldwell has traveled extensively in addition to the tours previously mentioned. He has visited Bermuda twice and has been in all parts of the United States, his sight-seeing including the great Columbian Exposition of 1893 at Chicago. He is widely known and highly esteemed wherever known, particularly is this true in Troy, his home for the past eight years. He received the felicitations of his friends at his summer residence at Reichard Lake on his seventy-fifth birthday, and now an octogenarian, his numerous friends of the olden time trust his story will be indefinitely prolonged in the city of his birth.

AUGUSTUS FILLEY, one of the pioneers of Lansingburg, came to the village in 1811, from Bloomfield, Connecticut, erecting the house still standing on the corner of Second avenue and One Hundred and Thirteenth street. He imported the brick from Holland, the vessel landing at the dock near the house. Mr. Filley was a large manufacturer of tin and Britannia ware, sending it in peddling carts to the northern part of the State and Vermont, in exchange for wood ashes, pewter and rags, which in turn were shipped to New York in the various sloops regularly plying between Lansingburg and the metropolis. He was an active politician and a leader in the Whig party of the county, holding at different times the office of sheriff and a seat in the State Legislature. He died in 1846, leaving three sons: Edward A., Samuel R., and Chauncey I., all residing in St. Louis, Missouri. Following Augustus Filley to Lansingburg was the Hon. Marcus L. Filley, a graduate of Trinity College, Hartford, and Yale Law School, who opened, in 1832, a law office in the village and rapidly built up an extensive practice not only in Rensselaer county but throughout the northern part of the State. As a politician Mr. Filley was a Republican and so active was he in the formation of that party in 1855, that he was often called the father of it in the county. In 1856 he gave up the practice of law and engaged in the manufacture of stoves in Troy, being the proprietor of the Green Island Stove Works, whose products were widely sold in the South and Far West. Mr. Filley died in 1893, leaving one son, Mark L., who was born in 1850, and educated at the Comstock School, in Lansingburg; the famous Bancroft School, Northampton, Massachusetts; and at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. After the moving of Troy's vast stove enterprises to other sections, Mr. Filley became owner of the Trojan Scale Works, in which business he is still engaged. He was a charter member of the Sans Souci Club, president of the Saugutuck Iron Works and State inspector of weights and measures.

Mr. Filley married, in 1873, Julia M. Child, of St. Louis, whose father, Perley A. Child, was a member of the large wholesale hardware house of Child, Pratt & Fox, whose trade extended across the plains. Mr. Filley has three sons: Oliver Dwight, educated at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and is a major in the Reserve Corps of United States Engineers, stationed at San Francisco; Marcus L., resides in Brooklyn, New York, an exporter of sheet steel and zinc; and Frederick C., a



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prominent lawyer and politician of Troy, who was educated at the Staples School, in Westport, Connecticut; and the Albany Law School. He was a member of the State Legislature for several terms, assistant district attorney for Rensselaer county, and is grand warden of the State lodge of Odd Fellows.

H. JUDD WARD—In the course of a long career at the Rensselaer county bar Mr. Ward has attained a position of prominence and influence, based upon a record of outstanding usefulness and honor, in his profession. He has given himself with whole-hearted devotion to the law, of later years confining his labors to the administration of estates and real estate law, and has made religious and charitable endeavor his other chief avenues of service to his fellows.

The Ward family is of great antiquity, the name being variously written: Ward, Warde, de Warde, and de la Warde. As the name indicates, the Wards owe their origin to the old vikings who made themselves masters not only of the sea, but also of much of Europe. When William the Conqueror came over to England he had Wards among lists of his "Noble Captains," and there were many Wards among the descendants of the old sea kings who fought against him at Hastings. Later on, among the banners of the stalwart Anglo-Saxon men who fought and bled and died in the crusades, not the least renowned was that of de la Warde, or de Warde. In 1173 William De la Warde appears in Chester, and from that time his family and descendants increased in wealth and importance until eleven or twelve generations later William Ward of Dudley Castle was created the first Earl of Derby (see "Earls of Derby"). The family spread through Staffordshire, Warwickshire, and Northamptonshire. As early as the reign of Edward III, Simon de Warde sat in Parliament from that shire and Richard Ward was elected for the borough of Northampton in the ninth year of the reign of Henry IV. The arms are those of the noble house of Ward, Viscounts of Bangor and as those of Seth Ward, Bishop of Salisbury in the time of Charles II, and as those of chief-baron Sir Edward Ward. This family was advanced to the peerage in consequence of the marriage with the heiress of the Lords Dudley in the reign of Charles I, and according to Sir William Dugdale and other antiquarians, was seated for several centuries in the city of Norfolk. Simon Warde, in 1391, married Margaret, of a branch of the noble family of Mortimer, and had issue: John Ward, Esq., who possessed the manor of Kirk by-Beden in Norfolk, 1636, by his wife, a daughter of John de Bosco. The line is traced through several generations to William Ward, jeweller to the queen of King Charles I, whose son Humble Ward, married Frances, granddaughter and heir of Lord Dudley, she succeeding to the ancient Barony of Dudley, and a descendant of Edmund Ironsides, King of England, A. D., 1017. Robert Warde, of Houghton Parva, Northamptonshire, married Isabel Stapley. Of this issue there was a son, James, who married Alice Fawkes or Faulks; and a son, Stephen, who married Joice or Joyce Trafford, of Leicestershire, and were the parents of the

famous Sergeant John Ward, of Wethersfield, Branford, Connecticut, and Newark, New Jersey, and the progenitor of an illustrious family. One branch traces descent from Alfred the Great, and another from Henry I, King of France, (see "Americans of Royal Descent"). Arms are borne in the family as follows:

Arms—Azure, a cross between four eagles displayed argent.
Crest—On a mount vert, a hind couchant argent.
Motto—Sub cruce, salus. (Salvation by the cross).

(I) Andrew (1) Warde, born in England, probably near the last of the sixteenth century, left his home and emigrated to New England about 1630. Among his fellow passengers is said to have been John Winthrop, Jr., later governor of Massachusetts, Rev. Mr. Phillips, and others from the counties of Suffolk and Essex. He was first at Watertown, Massachusetts, later at Wethersfield, Connecticut, subsequently at Stamford, Connecticut, and thereafter at Fairfield, Connecticut, bearing a reputation for honesty of purpose, sagacity of insight, and skill in the direction of municipal affairs. He married Hester Sherman, born April 1, 1606, and his death occurred in 1659, his will dated June 8th, of that year. His wife, a daughter of Edmund and Judith (Angier) Sherman, of Dedham, Essex county, England, made a will which was probated February 28, 1666. Issue: Edmund, William, Anne, Mary, John, Sarah, Abigail; Andrew (2), of whom further; and Samuel.

(II) Andrew (2) Ward, son of Andrew (1) and Hester (Sherman) Warde, was born in Killingworth, Connecticut, about 1645-47, and died in 1690. He was made a freeman in 1668. March 15, 1668: "Andrew Ward hath several parcels of land by virtue of his father's will. One-half the home lot, etc." December 20, 1668: "Andrew Ward purchased of his brother Samuel, his half of the home lot" (Fairfield Town Records). Andrew (2) Ward married, 1667-8, Tryal Meigs, born in 1646, died in 1690, daughter of John and Tamasin (Fry) Meigs. This John Meigs was the one who was sent by night on horseback to New Haven by Governor Leete to warn the Regicides that the pursuivants were on their trail, the distance being about eighteen miles through a dense forest. Issue of Andrew (2) and Tryal (Meigs) Ward: Andrew; John, born March 16, 1671, died 1700; Abigail; Sarah; Peter, of whom further; William; Samuel, born May 2, 1684; Mary, born in 1687; and Anna.

(III) Captain Peter Ward, son of Andrew (2) and Tryal (Meigs) Ward, was born in Killingworth, Connecticut, October 14, 1676, and died December 18, 1763. He married, March 30, 1699, Mary Joy, born September 17, 1680, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Spencer) Joy. Issue: Pelatiah; Ira, of whom further; Ichabod, born April 2, 1707; Peter; Mary; and Mattaniah.

(IV) Ira Ward, son of Captain Peter and Mary (Joy) Ward, was born in Killingworth, Connecticut, October 11, 1709. He married, October 3, 1725, Lydia Parmelee, born September 12, 1707, daughter of Deacon Nathaniel and Esther (Kelsey) Parmelee. Issue: Esther;

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Lydia, born September 7, 1727; married, August 8, 1749, Giles Wilcox; James, of whom further; Tryal; Sarah; Merab; Mattaniah; and Mary, born November 24, 1742; married Rufus Handy.

(V) James Ward, son of Ira and Lydia (Parmelee) Ward, was born in Killingworth, Connecticut, February 8, 1729, and died April 12, 1804. He married (first), July 14, 1751, Mary Wilcox, who died February 9, 1753. He married (second), February 6, 1754, Amy Crane, born December 25, 1730, died November 9, 1800. Issue (by first wife): Temperance, born April 9, 1752; married, September 24, 1772, Elias Isbell. Issue (by second wife): Ira, born March 5, 1755, married Sarah Ann (Mundy) Foy, widow of Captain Foy, of Sherburne, Nova Scotia; Peter; Abner, born January 1, 1760; Edmund; James; Joy; Lydia; Bela, of whom further; Molly; Samuel, born August 29, 1774, married Elizabeth Hotchkiss, of East Guilford, Connecticut.

(VI) Bela Ward, son of James and Amy (Crane) Ward, was born September 19, 1770, and died April 24, 1842. He married, January 16, 1798, Abigail Wilcox, who died January 31, 1848, daughter of John and Grace (Griswold) Wilcox. Issue: Edmund Wilcox; Mary Hotchkiss; Louise Griswold, born May 8, 1802; Serene Taylor, born January 20, 1803, died January 10, 1865; Charles Bela, born July 27, 1809; Pamela Grace; and Henry Lincoln, of whom further.

(VII) Henry Lincoln Ward, son of Bela and Abigail (Wilcox) Ward, was born February 7, 1813. He married (first), January 21, 1847, Sophia Petrie, daughter of Isaac and Sallie Petrie; (second), August 27, 1850, Beulah Ann Martin, daughter of Ephraim and Mary Martin. Issue (by second wife): Henry Judd (H. Judd), of further mention; Frank Martin, born July 27, 1854, died November 5, 1902; Bela Jost, born September 8, 1857, died June 25, 1921; Ernest Stewart, born June 5, 1861, died October 14, 1864.

(VIII) H. Judd Ward was born on a farm at Middleville, township of Newport, Herkimer county, New York, December 6, 1852, son of Henry L. and Beulah Ann (Martin) Ward, his maternal as well as his paternal ancestors of note in Colonial America. Mr. Ward's early education was obtained in the district country school and he was given duties in the work of the farm at an early age, his studies being continued in Fairfield Seminary, whence he was graduated. He taught school for a time and financed his advanced education, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Rutgers College in 1883, and that of Master of Arts in 1886. Upon graduation in 1883, he accepted the principalship of Fairfield Seminary and while discharging the responsibilities of this position read law at night, continuing this preparation until admitted to the bar at Saratoga Springs, New York, in 1888.

In this year he opened an office in Troy, engaging in general practice, which, with the passing of the years, steadily tended toward specialization in estate and real estate law, which now occupies him almost entirely. His first professional association was with Chester G. Wager, now surrogate judge of Rensselaer county, under the firm name of Ward and Wager. In 1900 Mr. Ward formed a partnership with Irving

Hayner, of Hayner & Ward, and although Mr. Hayner is now deceased, the old title is retained, Sheldon B. Smith having been admitted to partnership in 1920 with no change of firm name. In every respect in which the private practice of law offers distinction, Mr. Ward has won notable recognition, holding place among his professional brethren as an attorney of broad knowledge and ability, wise and dependable in counsel, steadfastly faithful to the finest tradition of his calling.

Mr. Ward is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York Bar Association, the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and is an interested participant in their work. His club is the Troy Club. He holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, affiliating with King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is trustee; Troy Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Troy Council, Royal and Select Masters; Albany Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and the Commandery and Shrine. He is a member of the college fraternity Chi Phi. Mr. Ward is a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church, and was for ten years superintendent of the Sunday school of the First Universalist Church. He is deeply concerned with all branches of church work, giving generously of his time and means to this end and taking an equally active part in charitable and civic affairs.

Mr. Ward's home, "Ward-Haven Hall," is a mansion of castle proportions, on the Troy road, between Troy and Albany. In stock raising on his estate he finds a most enjoyable recreation. He is deeply interested in classical music, fine art, and valuable pieces of furniture. One of the pieces of furniture in which he is particularly interested and which he prizes very highly, is a bureau desk, on which he has been told was written the poem, "A Visit From Saint Nicholas," commonly called "The Night Before Christmas." The author was Clement Clarke Moore, 1778-1863.

Mr. Ward is unmarried.

WALTER PHELPS WARREN—In the city of Troy, New York, the name of Warren has for more than a century been associated with good citizenship and upright manhood. One of those who fully measured up to the family standard of ability, integrity and service was the late Walter Phelps Warren, whose death on August 8, 1914, caused deep and sincere grief among his many friends and associates. Throughout his active career he was identified with the stove manufacturing industry. As president of the Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., locally known at that time as the Clinton Foundry, he was at the head of one of the largest stove manufacturing plants in the country, and as president of the Stove Manufacturers' Association of the United States, he exerted a strong and beneficial influence among stove manufacturers throughout the country. Diligent, patriotic, and resolute, he was a recognized leader in public affairs, and his influence was always cast on the side of material progress and moral and civil advancement.

The first Warren who came from Normandy to England was William de Warrene, who was a near relative of the Conqueror. There were

"WHERE I SOUGHT HAVEN
THERE FOUND I HAP"

WARD ~ HAVEN HALL

Walter B. Warren

eight Earls of Warren and Surrey. The original seat of the Warrens was in Cheshire, although from there they migrated to different parts of England. The name Warren and Waring are both used by descendants in this country, although it has been clearly proven that in England there are two separate families, their ancient armorial bearings being totally different.

(I) Richard Waring, the progenitor of the line herein followed, arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, on the ship "Endeavor" in 1664, and shortly afterwards settled on Long Island.

(II) Edmund Warren, son of Richard Waring, was born on Long Island in 1673, and died in Norwalk, Connecticut, August 5, 1749. His wife, Elizabeth (Bouton) Warren, bore him twelve children, among whom was Eliakim, through whom the line descends.

(III) Eliakim Warren, son of Edmund and Elizabeth (Bouton) Warren, was born in Oyster Bay, Long Island, July 8, 1717, and died in Norwalk, Connecticut, August 5, 1779. He married Ann Reed, of Norwalk, and they were the parents of Eliakim, Jr., of whom further.

(IV) Eliakim Warren, Jr., son of Eliakim and Ann (Reed) Warren, was born in Norwalk, Connecticut, February 9, 1747, and died in Troy, New York, September 4, 1824. In 1798, the year of his removal from Connecticut, Troy contained three hundred houses and 1,802 inhabitants. He married Phebe Bouton, who bore him six children, among them Stephen, of whom further.

(V) Stephen Warren, son of Eliakim, Jr., and Phebe (Bouton) Warren,was born in Norwalk, Connecticut, in 1783, and died in Troy, New York, May 9, 1847. He was an influential citizen of Troy, business man, financier, member of the State Legislature in 1823, and a presidential elector. He married Martha Cornell Mabbett, of Lansingburg, New York, who bore him six children, among whom was Hon Joseph Mabbett Warren, father of Walter Phelps Warren, of whom further.

(VI) Hon. Joseph Mabbett Warren, son of Stephen and Martha Cornell (Mabbett) Warren, was born in Troy, New York, January 28, 1813, and died in that city September 9. 1896. He graduated from Washington (now Trinity) College. On March 1, 1840, he was admitted to the firm of Hart, Lesley & Warren, which style was changed to Warren, Hart & Lesley, then to J. M. Warren & Company, with Joseph M. Warren as president, so continuing until his death. He was one of a committee of nine to arrange for the sale by the city of Troy of the Schenectady & Troy railroad; was the first president and a director of the United National Bank of Troy; a trustee of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; water commissioner of the city of Troy from 1851-52; one of the organizers and member of the board of managers of the Troy Club. He married, September 9, 1835, Elizabeth Adelaide Phelps, born March 3, 1815, died July 20, 1891, daughter of Walter and Julia Steel (Beach) Phelps, of Hartford, Connecticut. They were the parents of seven children: Stephen, Mary Mabbett, Walter Phelps, of whom further; Josephine, Phebe McKean, Anna and Stephen.

(VII) Walter Phelps Warren, son of Hon. Joseph M. and Elizabeth A. (Phelps) Warren, was born in Troy, New York, June 13, 1841. He

was educated at the Troy Academy, and at Walnut Hill School, Geneva, New York. In February, 1864, he was admitted a member of the firm of J. M. Warren & Company, of Troy, withdrawing therefrom in 1871. He then became associated with Fuller, Warren & Company, of Troy, which firm was incorporated in 1881 under the name of Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., manufacturers of stoves and furnaces, whose works, covering six acres in Troy, were known as the Clinton Foundry. Mr. Warren was trustee and vice-president of the original corporation, and on the death of Joseph W. Fuller, the president, in 1890, was elected president, which office he filled for many years.

Among Mr. Warren's many other business activities were the following: President of the National Association of Stove Manufacturers of the United States, and of the Troy Citizens' Association; vice-president of the Troy Savings Bank, Troy Chamber of Commerce, and Troy Centennial Association; director of the Fuller-Warren Company of Milwaukee, Rensselaer & Saratoga Railroad Company, Albany & Vermont Railroad Company, Saratoga & Schenectady Railroad Company, Troy & Cohoes Railroad Company, the National City Bank of Troy, the Samaritan Hospital, and of the Church Home; trustee of the Troy Orphan Asylum; and member of the Public Improvement Commission of Troy. He was a member of the Citizens' Corps, and was elected president of the reorganization in 1878, and lieutenant in the Sixth Separate Company, now Company A, Second Regiment, New York National Guard. From 1864 to 1868 he served on the staff of Governor Hoffman, with the rank of colonel. Through his Revolutionary and Colonial ancestry he derived membership in the patriotic orders. He was regent of William Floyd Chapter, Sons of the Revolution; a member of the Founders and Patriots, Colonial Wars, and Colonial Governors and Mayflower societies. He was also a member of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. His clubs were the Union and Manhattan of New York City; the Philadelphia, Lenox and Troy, having served as president of the latter for seventeen years. He was a member of the Episcopal church, founded in Troy by his ancestors, and was a trustee of St. Paul's Free Chapel (later St. Barnabas Chapel, an independent organization), was appointed by the vestry of St. Paul's Church to manage the affairs of the chapel, then a mission of the mother church. In politics Mr. Warren was a Democrat, and always took a deep interest in all reform movements affecting municipal, Federal or State politics. He was a ready, effective and pleasing public speaker, and an untiring worker for the interests of his native city.

Mr. Warren married, July 11, 1866, Martha Mabbett Warren, born December 22, 1842, daughter of William Henry and Mary (Rogers) Warren, of Moreau, New York. Children: 1. William Henry, a sketch of whom follows. 2. Joseph Mabbett, born December 14, 1868, died March 7, 1872. 3. Mary Eliza, born February 5, 1870; married, November 5, 1896, Thomas Vail. 4. John Hobart, born May 9, 1873, died June 10, 1873. 5. Walter Phelps, Jr., a sketch of whom appears on following pages. 6. Elizabeth, born April 14, 1876, died February 3, 1878. 7. Chester Ingersoll, a sketch of whom appears on following pages.

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WILLIAM HENRY WARREN—Few citizens in Troy are better known than is William Henry Warren, president of the Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., a concern which is engaged in the manufacture of stoves. The Warrens have been residents of Troy for more than two hundred and twenty years, and have been associated with the Fuller & Warren Company since 1865.

Born in Troy, New York, June 3, 1867, William Henry Warren is a son of Walter Phelps and of Martha Mabbett (Warren) Warren (see preceding sketch). After receiving his early and preparatory education in St. John's School at Ossining, New York, he became a student in Trinity College at Hartford, Connecticut. In 1888 he began his long connection with the firm of Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., in the capacity of office boy. After the completion of his college course he at once resumed his connection with the firm of which his father was president, and during the more than thirty-five years which have passed since that time he has been continuously devoting his energies to the advancement of the interests of that organization. He was made purchasing agent, treasurer, vice-president, and finally, in 1915, was elected chief executive of the company. For the past eight years he has fully demonstrated his ability, and under his able directions the business to which his father gave so large a share of his active career has continued to grow and prosper. Mr. Warren is also a director of the Fuller-Warren Company, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He is prominent in the organizations of the stove manufacturing industry in State and Nation as president of the Association of Stove Manufacturers of New York and Pennsylvania, and as vice-president and chairman of the executive committee of the National Association of Stove Manufacturers of the United States. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with the stove manufacturing industry Mr. Warren is officially connected with several other business and financial organizations. He is a member of the board of directors and one of the original organizers of the Troy Trust Company; was formerly a director and is now a member of the re-organization committee of the Walter A. Word Mowing and Reaping Machine Company, of Hoosick Falls, New York; is a director of the Troy & Cohoes Railroad Company, and of the Lansingburg & Cohoes Railroad Company, and was the first treasurer and later vice-president and a member of the board of directors for ten years of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. He also renders service in official capacity in several semi-philanthropic institutions, as trustee of Troy Orphan Asylum, of Marshall Sanitarium, and of Samaritan Hospital.

Politically he gives his support to the Republican party, but has never sought political office. During the World War he was active in the various Liberty Loan and other war drives. He is well known in club circles, being a member of the Troy Club, the Troy Riding Club, Van Schaick Island Country Club, and the Elks Club; and his religious affiliation is with St. Paul's Episcopal Church, which he has served as vestryman.

On January 5, 1893, William Henry Warren married Carolyn E. Glea-

son, daughter of Samuel O. Gleason, formerly a prominent banker in Troy and for many years cashier of the Troy Manufacturers' National Bank, and of Mary (Burdick) Gleason, of Troy, New York, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are the parents of one daughter, Mary Rogers Warren, who was born July 7, 1896.

WALTER PHELPS WARREN, Jr.—As vice-president and a member of the board of directors of the Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., which owns the famous Clinton Stove Works of Troy, New York, Walter Phelps Warren, Jr., is helping to carry forward the work of his father, the late Walter P. Warren, who for many years was the efficient chief executive of the above mentioned concern. The son is also officially connected with other enterprises founded and promoted by the father, and with his brother, William Henry Warren (see preceding sketch), is holding the business true to the principles of the earlier generations of the Warren family.

Born in Troy, New York, December 31, 1874, son of Walter P. and Martha Mabbett (Warren) Warren, Walter Phelps Warren, Jr., received his early and preparatory education in private schools and in Albany Academy, and then further prepared for an active career by taking a course in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. When his studies were completed he began his active career in the employ of the J. M. Warren & Company, of which his father had formerly been a member. Later, in 1898, he severed his connection with that concern and entered the employ of the Fuller & Warren Company in the capacity of purchasing agent, and since that time his connection with the last-named concern has been continuous. The firm is the successful Fuller & Warren Company, which was incorporated in 1881, under the name of one of the best known stove manufacturing concerns in the country. Walter P. Warren, Sr., was vice-president of the original corporation, but on the death of Mr. Fuller in 1890, became chief executive of the concern, which official position he held at the time the son became purchasing agent. About 1910 Walter Phelps Warren, Jr., became a member of the board of directors and was elected vice-president of the corporation. During the nearly a quarter of a century which has passed since that time he has demonstrated his ability and won the high regard of his associates. The plant of the Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., covers an area of six acres, and is one of the largest of its kind in the United States. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with the Fuller & Warren Company, Inc., Mr. Warren is also a member of the board of directors of the United National Bank of Troy, New York, and a member of the board of directors of the Albany & Vermont Railroad Company. Politically he favors the principles of the Republican party, but he reserves the right to cast his vote for those candidates he deems best qualified for the office, regardless of party affiliations. During the World War he served as captain of the Eighth Ward War Chest Committee, organized several "drives" in the ward, and was one of the most active in the promotion of the various war activities.

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Chester Ingersoll Warren.

Mr. Warren has always taken an active interest in local public affairs, and, like his father, has contributed largely to the advancement of the public welfare. He is a director of the Troy Boys' Club; has contributed much of his time and energy to the Rensselaer County Tuberculosis Association, which he has served as president since 1919, and has been active on the State Committee on Tuberculosis and Public Health; is a member of the Troy Citizens' Corps; and of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is affiliated with Delta Phi college fraternity, which he serves as a director of Lambda chapter. He is a member of the Troy Club, of which he was a member of the executive board and vice-president for several years; a member of Van Schaick Island Golf Club; and a member of the Troy Riding Club, of which he was one of the founders and which he now serves as vice-president. He is also a member and vice-regent of the Sons of the Revolution. His religious affiliation is with the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, which he serves as a member of the board of deacons and as treasurer.

Mr. Warren married, December 28, 1922, Helen Liddle, of Glens Falls, New York. By his first marriage Mr. Warren has two children: Anne Lane Warren; and W. Phelps Warren (3).

MAJOR CHESTER INGERSOLL WARREN—The death of Major Warren, on May 26, 1919, at the early age of thirty-nine years, prematurely terminated a career of great promise and of already notable achievement. As vice-president and member of the board of directors of the Fuller & Warren Company, he was identified with one of the best known concerns of Rensselaer county and during the World War he rendered such efficient and unusual service in the Ordnance Department that he was commissioned a major. His early death represented a distinct loss to the city of Troy.

Major Chester Ingersoll Warren was born in Troy, New York, February 22, 1880, youngest son of the late Walter P. (q. v.) and Martha Mabbett (Warren) Warren. After attending Stone's School, at Cornwall-on-Hudson, he began his college preparatory work at the Albany Military Academy and upon the completion of his course there entered Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1905 with the degree of Mechanical Engineer. After the completion of his college training he became associated with the famous stove manufacturing concern with which his family has for years been identified, the Fuller & Warren Company, as a member of the board of directors and as purchasing agent. His ability soon became apparent and his advancement was rapid. As an able executive and as a careful and discriminating purchasing agent he displayed signal powers and at the time of his death he was vice-president of the company.

Major Warren's activities however, were not confined wholly to business. He was a director of the Troy Boys' Club and chairman of its industrial committee. He was also a member of the Troy Club and the Van Schaick Island Country Club, of Troy. He was active in the affairs of the Cornell Alumni Association, of which he was a member, and

rendered active services as membership secretary of the local Red Cross chapter until he entered the army.

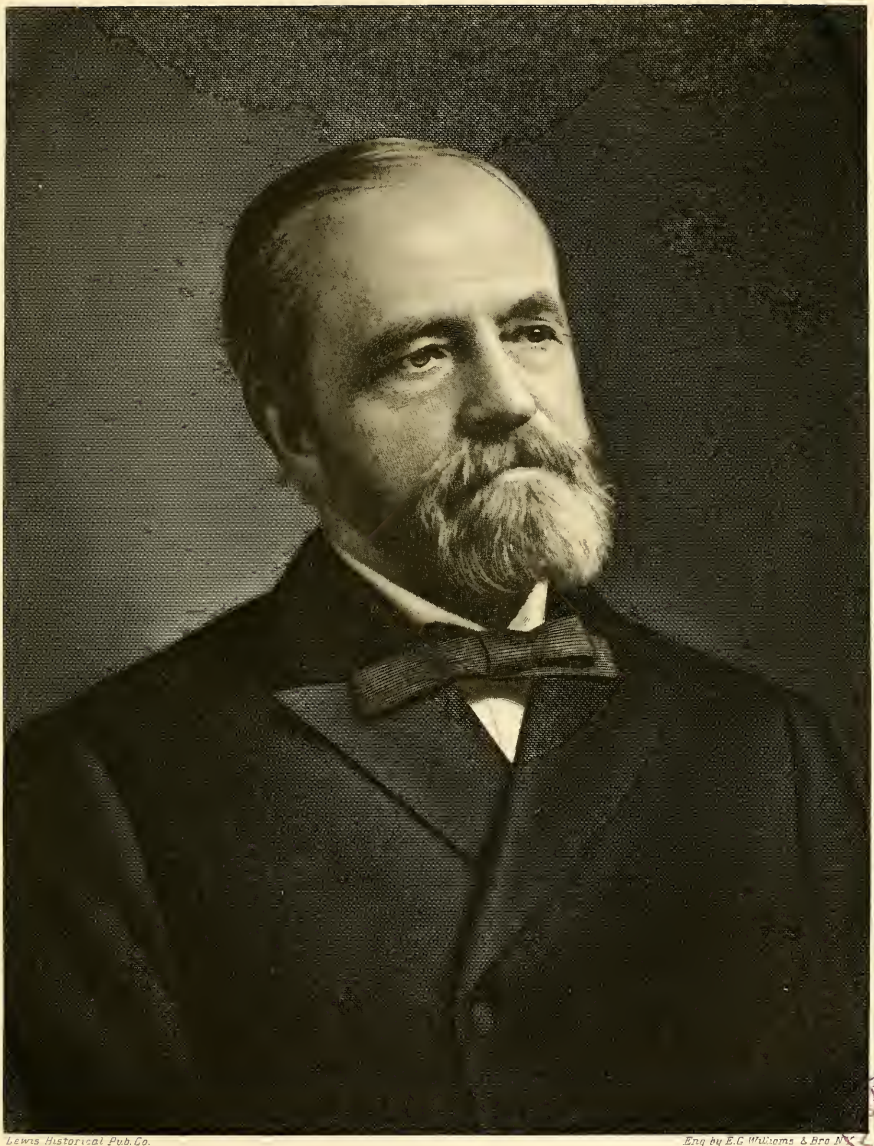
Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War he was one of the first civilians to receive a commission in the Officer's Reserve Corps of the Ordnance Department. In May, 1917, he was commissioned a captain and ordered to report for duty at the Watervliet Arsenal. He was first designated as quartermaster, disbursing officer, and ordnance storekeeper. Later he was placed in charge of the purchasing department and eventually took over the balance of stores, thus taking complete charge of the stock at the arsenal. In the notice of his death, issued by the military authorities of the Watervliet arsenal, it was stated that he took up the work of the purchasing department when it was staggering under a burden too large for its shoulders, that he brought order out of chaos and put the arsenal's purchasing department on a modern business basis, where it was discounting many of its bills, a practice almost unheard of in government operating institutions. Such a notice coming as it did from a military source is really a remarkable testimonial. So effective was his work that, in January, 1918, he was commissioned a major in the ordnance. The fact that any persons coming from civil life should, by personal magnetism and his able business judgment, be able, at his age, to accomplish these measures in the face of the usual government red tape, is an achievement which marks Major Warren as a young man of exceptional force and ability and in itself is convincing evidence of the great loss which his firm and the industry have sustained.

In addition to the affiliations already mentioned Mr. Warren was a member of the Cornell University Club, of New York City; of Kappa Alpha fraternity, of Cornell University; and of the Sons of the Revolution; and his religious interest was with St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of which he was a member.

Chester Ingersoll Warren married, on October 23, 1907, De Ette Samson, daughter of Frederick and Sarah D. (Welch) Samson, of Hartford, Connecticut, both deceased, the former of whom was secretary of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company. Mr. Warren is survived by his wife and one son, Chester Ingersoll, Jr., who was born January 19, 1912, and is now (1923) a student in Albany Academy.

CHESTER BASCOM—Standing behind the mechanical industries of the city of Troy, New York, and indeed supplying a wide territory with many varieties of patterns, Chester Bascom, as the head of Bascom & Company, and the proprietor of the well-known Vedder patterns, is carrying forward a broadly practical industry. This is probably one of the oldest enterprises in Rensselaer county still carried on along the general lines originally followed, having been devoted to its present activities for nearly a century.

The Bascom family is a very old one in Massachusetts, and a century or more ago it was largely scattered to other States, this line going to Vermont and later to New York State, but a few descendants of



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Chester Bascom

the original pioneers still remain in the State of Massachusetts. Daniel W. Bascom, Mr. Bascom's father, was born in Vermont and went with the family to Crown Point, New York, when only two weeks old. There he lived and died, passing away February 2, 1873. He married Pamelia Shearer, who died April 16, 1904, after surviving her husband for many years.

Chester Bascom was born at Crown Point, New York, September 6, 1837. His education was acquired in the schools of his birthplace and at the Fort Edward Collegiate Institute. For many years he was connected with manufacturing industries in his native town, but in 1879 he came to Troy and became a member of the firm of Bascom, Galbraith & Company, successors to the Vedder Pattern Works, prior to that time his brother, Henry Clay (H. Clay) Bascom (see following sketch), having been in the employ of the Vedder Pattern Works for twelve years. Mr. Galbraith retired in 1884, and subsequently, for a number of years, the Bascom brothers carried the interest forward. Henry Clay Bascom died December 13, 1896, and his widow retained his interest in the business until 1898, when Chester Bascom bought her holdings, having long been at the head of the enterprise. At that time the name of Bascom & Company was adopted for this long-established business, which for several generations had been known as the Vedder Pattern Works. This concern was founded in 1835, being located at that time at the corner of Fourth and Fulton streets, Troy, New York, at which location it remained until 1882, when it was removed to its present one at No. 532 River street. At the present time (1923) the plant has a frontage of 175 feet on that street and 100 feet on Hoosick street, and contains various manufacturing appliances. They make machine patterns, stove and heater patterns in wood and metal, and their products are shipped to every State in the Union and exported to Canada, the British Isles, and other foreign countries. Their operating force numbers about 125 hands. This is one of the really far-reaching and important industries of the city of Troy. Mr. Bascom is interested in few affairs outside of this enterprise, finding his chief relaxation in motoring. He is a member of Fort Edward Institute Alumni, and his religious affiliation is with the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, of Troy. He has served as trustee on the official board of the church since the year 1885.

Chester Bascom married Helen A. Forbes, of Vermont, who died in 1904, leaving four children. The family had consisted of six children: George Carleton, of whom further; Jessie Louise, of whom further; Bertha Augusta, of whom further; Frederick, of whom further; and twins, Lucy and Laura, of whom further.

George Carleton Bascom, who was born in Crown Point, New York, and educated in the public schools of Troy and at Poultney Seminary, died in 1908. He married Catherine M. Guith, now a resident of San Jose, California, and left two children: Carl Chester, and Helen Marie, the latter now the wife of Edward Seaman, of Oakland, California. Carl Chester Bascom, the son of these parents, and grandson of the subject of this sketch, enlisted in the 58th Infantry, 4th Division Headquarters

Company, American Expeditionary Forces, and served in some of the most fearful drives of the World War. Among these were Chateau-Thierry, the Argonne and St. Mihiel, then was severely wounded at the Vaille River. Upon his recovery he rejoined his command, and was in the Army of Occupation at Coblenz, Germany, until August, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge from the service. He is now manager of the plant of Bascom & Company, and a prominent member of Troy Lodge, No. 564, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Phoenix Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons.

Jessie Louise Bascom, second child of Chester and Helen A. (Forbes) Bascom, was educated in the Poultney and Troy schools, and became the wife of Charles Ressguie, of Bennington, Vermont. They have two children: 1. Ruth Bascom, who became the wife of Louis B. Puffer, a professor in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy for many years and now professor of engineering in the University of Vermont (Burlington). They are the parents of two children: Olive Louise, and Charles Mernes. 2. Raymond Carleton, married Mary Durand, and they have three children: Raymond C., Jr., Durand Cooper, and Charles Henry.

Bertha Augusta Bascom, third child of Chester and Helen A. (Forbes) Bascom, was educated in Oswego (New York) Normal School and Cazenovia College, and died in 1901.

Frederick Bascom, the fourth child of Chester and Helen A. (Forbes) Bascom, died in infancy.

Lucy Bascom, fifth child of Chester and Helen A. (Forbes) Bascom, was educated in the public schools of Poultney and Troy, and Cazenovia Seminary, and is the wife of Wellington E. Aiken, professor of English literature in the University of Vermont. Their three children are: John Kenneth, Glenn, and Robert Bascom.

Laura Bascom, twin sister of Lucy Bascom, is also a graduate of Cazenovia Seminary and Poultney Seminary, and is now associated with her father in business as office manager. She is very popular socially, and is past matron of Bethlehem Chapter, No. 166, Order of the Eastern Star, of which she is also at the present time (1923) the secretary. The Bascom residence is at No. 146 Second avenue, Troy, New York.

HENRY CLAY BASCOM, son of Daniel W. and Pamelia (Shearer) Bascom, and brother of Chester Bascom (see preceding sketch), came to the city of Troy from Crown Point, New York, in 1867, Chester Bascom coming in 1879. Both became interested in the Vedder Pattern Works, the younger brother as an employee for twelve years before Chester Bascom became a partner in the firm, Bascom, Galbraith & Company, the Vedder Pattern Works giving way to that firm, which in 1884, upon the retirement of Mr. Galbraith, became Bascom & Company. For twelve years the Bascom Brothers continued the manufacture of patterns under their own name, then the younger brother died, having been connected with the business under the three firm names since 1867, a period of twenty-nine years. But the business founded in

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Troy in 1835 survives, and is yet under the able management of Chester Bascom.

Henry C. (H. Clay) Bascom was born at Crown Point, September 3, 1844, and died in Ocala, Florida, in November, 1896. He was educated in the public schools of Crown Point and at Fort Edward Collegiate Institute, Fort Edward, New York, and at the age of twenty-three, in 1867, he came to Troy and entered the employ of the Vedder Pattern Works, taking a position as bookkeeper. He continued with the business in official capacity for twelve years, then, in 1879, he and his brother Chester purchased the Vedder interest, which is spoken of at length in the preceding sketch of Chester Bascom.

Henry C. Bascom entered heart and soul into the fight for constitutional prohibition of the liquor traffic and was the State standard bearer of his party in 1885. He was one of the most prominent men of the Prohibition party, and would have received the Presidential nomination, but his health failed him and he was not able to accept the honor. He presided over a State convention held in Albany, and his voice was a potent one in party councils. He became a member of the church at Crown Point, and in Troy was connected with the Fifth Avenue Church, and later Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, serving as an official member of both churches, and was trustee and superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a man of high character, greatly beloved by all who knew him.

Henry C. Bascom married (first) in 1874, Lizzie W. Saxe, daughter of Judge R. J. and Rebecca (Weed) Saxe, of Sheldon, Vermont. Mrs. Bascom died in 1877, and Mr. Bascom married (second) in 1886, Ellen L. Forbes, of Fort Edward, New York, who survives him.

EDWARD WILLIAM LOTH, professionally active along lines for which his preparations were begun in early childhood, has won a position of prominence, with interests centering at Troy, New York. Architecture is his work, his pleasure and his leading interest in life. Technical study, the bending even of his leisure activities toward the perfection of his finished work, extensive travel in many countries with a view to familiarizing himself with the best architecture of the world—all these influences have gone into the training of his natural artistic genius, and the beauty and symmetry of the structures which he has designed form permanent evidence of his ability. As a citizen Mr. Loth is broadly progressive in spirit.

Charles Edward Loth, Mr. Loth's father, was born in Germany. He received a broadly comprehensive education in the schools of his native country, then as a young man came to the United States, settling at Bridgeport, Connecticut. Later, in 1863, Charles Edward Loth came to Troy, New York. He became noted as an architect, and in this field manifested an expression of the keen interest which he felt in the broader activities of the realm in which he had for years borne a part. Among the more noteworthy examples of Mr. Loth's professional work are the following buildings of his design: St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church, of Troy; the frame building of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Salem,

New York, which was destroyed by fire, Mr. Loth also designing the present church which replaced it; the alteration of St. Bridget's Roman Catholic Church, of Watervliet, New York; the Arba Read Steamer House, the Washington Volunteer Steamer House, the Edmund Stanton Steamer House, and the Farnum Steamer House, all of Troy; a steamer house at Watervliet; and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows' Hall and the police station, at Green Island, New York; the Church of the Disciples, and the German Lutheran Trinity Church, of Troy; the English Lutheran Church, at Lansingburg, what is now Troy, New York; the gymnasium of the Troy Catholic Male Orphan Asylum; St. Michael's Parochial School, of Troy, and two schools for St. Joseph's Parish; the original Public School No. 12; and the Tibbits Mortuary Chapel in Oakwood Cemetery, Troy. Charles Edward Loth was a man of the highest ideals, gifted with a breadth of vision which comprehended the highest possibilities in the profession of architecture, and he realized his ambition in giving to his son the special training which would carry him to greater heights than he himself had attained. He lived to see his son gain an assured position in the profession, and the death of the father, which occurred in the year 1893, removed from the city of Troy such a man as all too seldom is given to the world. He married Anna A. Meyer, who is also now deceased.

Edward William Loth was born at Bridgeport, Connecticut, April 18, 1857. His education was begun in the public schools of Troy, New York, but from an early age he was destined by his father to become an architect; the public schools lacking the opportunities of special training at an early age, he was soon taken from his studies there and placed under private tuition. At the age of thirteen years he was sent to Germany to study also under private tutors. In later years he made intensive tours through many countries of Europe, and took up advanced study in Germany and Italy. In the year 1889 Mr. Loth began the active individual practice of his profession, becoming associated with his father in the offices of the latter at Troy.

For the past thirty years Edward William Loth has been independently active as an architect in the city of Troy, but his work has not been limited to this city in its scope. He has for many years specialized in the designing of churches, and many of the finest examples of sacred architecture now stand as mute, but glorious testimony to his finished art and consummate appreciation of its lofty expression. Mr. Loth designed St. Patrick's Church, of Watervliet, New York; St. Patrick's Church, of Utica, New York; St. John's, of Rensselaer, New York; St. Mary's, of Ballston, New York; St. John's, of Schenectady; also the Church of St. Paul the Apostle, at Troy; and St. Joseph's Home, at Troy. He further designed the Church of St. Paul the Apostle, at Mechanicsville, New York; the Ninth Presbyterian Church, of Troy, and St. Peter's Rectory, also in Troy. He designed St. Joseph's School, of Schenectady; St. Stanislaus' Church, of Amsterdam, New York, also enlarged the school of that parish; designed St. John's Academy, and enlargement of same, of Rensselaer, New York; also the Chapel of St.

Margaret Mary, of Albany, New York. He designed the south building of the Cluett, Peabody & Company's plant, at the corner of Jacob and River streets, the north building of the Hall, Hartwell & Company's plant, at the corner of River and Vanderheyden streets, both in Troy; the Barker factory, in Watervliet, and many other industrial structures, including the south building of the shirt and collar factory, at the corner of River and Adams streets, since taken over by the Troy Properties Company, of Utica, New York; and the banking house of the Troy Trust Company. The New Manufacturers' National Bank building of Troy, is his work in association with the Thomas Bruce Boyd Company, Incorporated, of New York City. He also designed the increase in height by several stories of the Earl & Wilson factory, at the corner of Broadway and Seventh avenue, Troy, New York. Mr. Loth's work, worthy of mention, is the remodeling of the interior of the power-house into the North End Public Bath, the building for the Fire Alarm Telegraph and the Police Signaling Systems of the Fire Department of Troy, and additions to the Home for the Aged, Little Sisters of the Poor, in Albany; also for the same organization in Troy. In the residential field Mr. Loth has done much work of the highest excellence and charm. In this connection may be mentioned the residence of Mrs. Marks Gross, on Second street, in Troy; Dr. C. H. Gabeler's residence at the corner of Pawling and Maple avenues, now the home of H. H. Butler; apartments on Fourth street for James C. Hawley, now deceased; and others on the same street for Dr. H. C. Gordinier and Dr. Gabeler, besides many of the delightful and artistic homes which line the streets of Troy and its environs. He redesigned Public School No. 12, of Troy, and remodeled Public School No. 5, the latter since destroyed by fire, also remodeled the Powers and Whipple schools. In all his work Mr. Loth keeps general oversight of construction, thus insuring the same integrity and sincerity in the mechanical development as marks his creative efforts. A master of artistic effect, broadly familiar with the best in architectural achievement on both sides of the Atlantic, Mr. Loth's work is distinctive for rare purity of design and grace of adaptation to the immediate purpose in view.

Many affiliations, both in line with his professional activities and of other significance, claim Mr. Loth's attention and command his influence. He has for years been chairman of the committee on community planning of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and it was largely through his efforts that the exhibition of city planning was held under the auspices of that commercial body during the presidency of James A. Beattie. This was the means of encouraging the agitation for city planning in Troy, and culminated in the legislation by the Common Council, which resulted in the appointment of the City Planning Commission by Mayor Fleming. Mr. Loth was appointed a member of this commission by the mayor, and was elected by the body as its secretary, which office he still holds. He is a member of the New York State Association of Architects, of which he is vice-president; and he is second

vice-president of the New York Society of Architects. Mr. Loth has for many years taken an active interest in promoting legislation for the registration of architects, and for several years past he has served the New York Society of Architects as its chairman of committees on general legislation and for registration of architects. He is also a member of the board of directors and of the advisory committee. As a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Loth was also active for some years as chairman of the committee on legislation with reference to factories, new and alterations. His more personal interests include wide fraternal affiliations. He is a member of Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is past high priest; Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Bethlehem Star Chapter, No. 167, Order of the Eastern Star. He is also affiliated with Apollo Court, Order of the Amaranth; Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Rensselaer Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Temple Shrine No. 5, White Shrine of Jerusalem, of Albany, New York; and Trojan Council, No. 86, Royal Arcanum, of which he was one of the charter members, and was secretary, also past regent. He is a member of the Masonic and Elks' clubs, and is identified with the Lutheran church.

Edward William Loth married (first) Marie Krause, who died at an early age. He married (second) Orrilla M. (Cushman) Harrison, of Glens Falls, New York. The family residence is at No. 221 Fourth avenue, North.

MONSIGNOR JOHN THEODORE SLATTERY, domestic prelate to the Pope, and pastor of St. Joseph's Church, of Troy, was born in Albany, New York. He was educated in the Christian Brothers Academy, Albany; Manhattan College, New York City; pursuing theological studies at St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary, Troy; and post-graduate studies in the New York State College for Teachers; University College, of Oxford; Chicago University; and Columbia University; receiving the degrees of A. B., A. M. and Ph. D.

Monsignor Slattery is attorney for the Catholic diocese of Albany, New York, and in addition to his important duties in the church has participated actively in civic affairs, serving as chairman of the Watervliet branch of the American Red Cross from 1910 to 1921, and as president of the capital district conference of charities and corrections. He is an author of high reputation and an authority on the life and works of Dante. Monsignor Slattery is a member of the Dante Society of Cambridge, and the Guild of Catholic Writers, and is the author of: "Dante, the Central Man of all the World," "The Modernity of Dante," "Dante and Florence," "Dante's Attitude Towards the Church and Clergy," "A System of Mnemonics," and "The Virgin of the Miraculous Medal." Despite the heavy demands of his ecclesiastical position, he has generously coöperated, in editorial and advisory capacity, in the preparation of the present "History of Troy and Rensselaer County."

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DR. FRANK M. SULZMAN—Among the members of the medical profession in Rensselaer county, New York, Dr. Frank M. Sulzman is one who is well and favorably known. Dr. Sulzman was born in Waterford, New York, August 6, 1875, a son of Charles A. and Rose (Roe) Sulzman, his father now retired from business and his mother deceased. His education was begun in the local public schools and he also attended the Waterford High School, graduating with the class of 1892. Several years were then spent in business and travel. He then entered Union University, from which he graduated in the class of 1902 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Following his graduation, Dr. Sulzman spent a year as interne at the Troy Hospital. After visiting Vienna and London, further post-graduate work was continued in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. Completing his studies he opened his office in Troy and has specialized in work of the eye, ear, nose and throat. In 1915 he was given the degree of A. M. by Villanova College. Dr. Sulzman is a member of the attending staff of Troy Hospital, of which staff he is also secretary and treasurer; St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital; Cohoes Hospital; St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum; and St. Coleman's Home.

In addition to his membership in the Rensselaer County Medical Society, Dr. Sulzman is also a member of the New York State Medical Society, American Medical Association; Northeastern New York Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Association; American College of Surgeons; is a fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-laryngology. During the past year he was elected and is now serving as president of the Rensselaer County Medical Society. He is a charter member of Waterford Council, Knights of Columbus; Vega Caravan, Father Van Rensselaer Assembly; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and Van Schaick Island Country Club. During the past winter he visited the principal countries of Central and South America with other members of the American College of Surgeons.

On June 20, 1905, Dr. Sulzman was married to Helen J. Daley, at Cohoes, New York. They have two sons: Francis Merrill and John Houston, and one daughter, Rose Margaret.

GEORGE SPENCE, JR.—Holding a foremost position in the building construction world of Rensselaer county, New York, George Spence, Jr., stands at the head of the important business interest which was founded by his father, but of which for more than two decades he has been the head and sole owner. Mr. Spence is a son of George and Jane (Cairns) Spence, old and esteemed residents of Troy in a day now gone by.

George Spence, Jr., was born in the city of Troy, New York, November 8, 1871. His education was acquired in the public schools of Troy, and he made special preparations for a business career at the Troy Business College. From boyhood interested in the work in which his father was engaged, along the line of carpenter work and building construction, he became junior member of the firm of George Spence &

Son. Upon the death of his father, which occurred in June, 1902, Mr. Spence succeeded to the business, and has since carried it forward individually. He has been largely successful. Taking over the interest when it was a comparatively small business, with few employees, he has developed it very extensively, and now holds a leading position in his field in this part of the State. He has spacious yards and a planing mill at Watervliet, New York, on Water street, extending from Nineteenth to Twentieth streets, north of the Congress street bridge. With a two-story building, containing some 27,500 square feet of floor space, he employs about thirty-five men in the manufacture of doors, sash, blinds, mouldings, building trim and general wood work, piazza and porch columns, rails, balusters, and brackets, and all kinds of turning and scroll saw work. He has furnished the interior trim and mill work for many prominent buildings of this city and county, including the new State Armory, and Public School No. 14, both in Troy, also for the City Hall building, in the adjacent capital city of Albany, and for Public School No. 23, of Albany. He also furnished interior trim and mill work for eight cottages and the administration building at Thiells, Rockland county, New York, for the State of New York. Indeed his product is shipped to all parts of this State and into various near by States. The contracting department of this business is located at Nos. 53-59 Church street, Troy, with a floor space of 15,000 square feet, and here about sixty men are employed. All kinds of heavy structural work come within the scope of their activity, and besides building construction, such work is handled as the installation of interior trim and hardwood floors, all kinds of carpentry jobbing, etc. Some of the many contracts which Mr. Spence has filled may well be included in this review. Among them are the erection of the Boardman building, the factory of the George P. Ide Company, Inc., Public Schools Nos. 1, 2 and 16, St. Francis' Parochial School, several large buildings for the Eastern Malleable Iron Company, the S. S. Kresge Company's store, the American Theatre, the Powers Collar Factory (Ferguson Collar Company), the Sacred Heart Rectory, the plant of the National Biscuit Company, the Rensselaer Students' Union Club House of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the Manufacturers' National Bank building, the Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the executive offices of the firm of Cluett, Peabody & Company, and the lockmaster's cottage for the United States Engineering Department. Some of the many contracts which might come within the general term of jobbing are the store front of Weinstein Brothers and other improvements for the same concern; the addition to the Troy Waste Manufacturing Company, C. Fazioli's store front, new show windows for William H. Frear & Company, Inc., new store fronts and other improvements for J. Henry Hepp, Goodman Brothers, Kaufman Brothers & Company, W. P. Herbert, and James Kinsley; alterations for the Tibbits estate; store front for Samuel Lewis, front and alterations for the Riker-Hegeman Company; alterations to the offices of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; store front of Doring Brothers, and improvements to the Trinity

Methodist Episcopal Church, also the American Blower Company, and to the store of F. & W. Grand Five, Ten and Twenty-five Cent Stores, Inc. Mr. Spence has erected some of the finest residences in this section, including those of Peter Kooman, Farnum J. Keeler, Harry E. Clinton, Clarence N. Flack, the late William P. Stanton, A. E. Cluett, C. W. Frear, Mrs. John Hansen, and ex-Governor Frank S. Black.

In the public affairs of the city Mr. Spence has always taken the deepest interest, and he was brought forward in the public service as early as 1898, when the Fourth Ward of Troy placed him on the Board of Aldermen, where he served three successive terms, six years in all. While a member of that body he served as chairman of the important Public Works Committee. In November, 1903, he was elected general assessor of the city of Troy, being one of the only two Republicans elected on the city ticket, and he served two terms, fulfilling the duties of this exacting office for eight years. At one time he was made Republican County Committeeman of the Fourth Ward, and in 1909 he was a candidate for the nomination for Mayor in the Republican primaries. He served for several years as a member of Company D, 21st Separate Company, National Guard of the State of New York. Mr. Spence has for years been a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; of the Contracting Carpenters' Association; the Employers' Building Crafts Exchange, of Troy and vicinity, which he served as vice-president; the Eastern Woodworkers' Cost Information Bureau, Inc., of New York. He endorses widely dissimilar lines of advance with great catholicity of interest, holding membership in the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, the Trojan Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3, which he served for several years as treasurer, and the Central Young Men's Christian Association. His tastes are definitely musical, and with a voice of excellent quality, he has for years been a member of the Troy Maennerchor and the North Troy Maenner Quartet. Fraternally Mr. Spence is a life member of Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; Delta Chapter, Rose Croix, holding the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order. He is also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and of Troy Tent, No. 447, Knights of the Maccabees, which he served as lieutenant-commander. He is a member of the Old Guard Tibbets Cadets, of which he was at one time captain. His clubs are the Masonic, the Apollo Fellowcrafts, the Rensselaer County Republican, and the Troy Burns Club, and he was formerly a member of the Troy Rotary and the Troy Automobile clubs. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Troy.

Mr. Spence married (first) at Wynantskill, New York, on June 14, 1899, Ella F. Link, of that place, who died, leaving one daughter, Mildred Gertrude, born April 6, 1900. He married (second) on October 4, 1916, Mary A. Galusha, of Williamstown, New York, daughter of Mark and Cora E. Galusha, and they are the parents of two children, twins: Marjorie Prentice and Dorothy Edna, born June 26, 1922. Dorothy Edna died July 5, 1922, at the age of nine days.

NEIL KIRK WHITE, A. M.—For a quarter of a century, Professor White has been engaged in pedagogy, and during the great part of that period, Lansingburg, Troy, New York, has been the scene of his professional labors. The principalship of Lansingburg High School has now been his position for eighteen years, and for twelve years, to the duties of principal of the high school, the superintendency of the Lansingburg public schools has been added. The quality of service he has rendered the schools may be judged from the extended term he has been retained, but the fact is that the public schools are Lansingburg's pride, and Neil Kirk White is the public school system. They cannot be separated, and they are both good. He is a son of Alexander C. and Mina Douglass (Gageby) White, his father, a furnaceman in a steel mill.

Neil Kirk White was born July 11, 1872, at Johnstown, Cambria county, Pennsylvania. Youngstown, Ohio, soon afterward became the family home, and there he attended the public schools. Before completing the seventh grade he left school and entered the employ of the Youngstown Carriage & Wagon Company, where he remained four years as apprentice and journeyman in the upholstering trade, later completing preparatory study at Rayen High School, Youngstown, with the graduation of the class of 1894. He then spent four years at Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, receiving his Bachelor's degree at graduation, in 1898, and his Master's degree from the same institution, in 1912.

After graduation from Hamilton College, in 1898, Mr. White began his professional career as supervising principal of the public school of Cape Vincent, New York, holding office one year. In 1899 he was appointed principal of the high school at Albion, Orleans county, New York, filling that position most efficiently until 1902, when he accepted a position at Boonville, New York, as supervising principal, holding office until 1905. In 1905 he began his long term of service with the Lansingburg schools, holding from that year until 1911, the position of principal of the high school. In 1911, in addition to the duties of that office, he assumed the responsibilities of the entire public school system, and as superintendent of public schools and principal of the high school, he has served from 1911 until the present, November, 1923. He is a well-known figure in the educational life of his State, and with all his powers, has striven to advance the standards of the public schools.

In politics Professor White is a Republican, and in religious faith is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of Lansingburg, serving that congregation as an elder. He is president of the Lansingburg Young Men's Christian Association, member of Troy Chamber of Commerce; Phoenix Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Psi Upsilon fraternity (Hamilton College Chapter); Schoolmasters' Club of Troy and vicinity (president), New York State Teachers' Association, New York State Council School Superintendents, Lansingburg Teachers' Association, National Superintendents' Council, and the National Educational Association.

Neil Kirk White married, at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county, New York, January 27, 1903, Jennie E. Scobell, daughter of John Albert and

Jennie M. (Wickham) Scobell. Professor and Mrs. White are the parents of two children: Christine Scobell, born March 13, 1905, both she and her mother members of the Episcopal church; Albert Kirk, born August 19, 1909.

WILLIS JUDSON COWEE, for the past twenty-three years has been one of the leading figures in the business circles of Berlin, New York. As organizer and president of the concern now known as W. J. Cowee, Incorporated, he is at the head of one of the largest concerns of its kind in this section of the State, and as president of the Berlin Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and of the Berlin Water Company, he is perhaps the most influential man of the town in the control of public utility activities.

Mr. Cowee is a native of Berlin, New York, where he was born July 19, 1861, son of Farwell Malcolm and Sarah E. (Godfrey) Cowee, the former of whom was born in Westminster, Massachusetts, and as a young man, twenty-three years of age, came to Berlin, where he engaged in agricultural pursuits, and the latter of whom was a native of Berlin. Both parents are now deceased. After completing his school training in Berlin Grammar School, Mr. Cowee, who had from boyhood been his father's assistant on the home farm, engaged in agricultural activities on the homestead acres until 1900. In that year he organized the W. J. Cowee Company and engaged in the manufacture of flower stems, veneer specialties, and wood mouldings. The enterprise grew steadily until finally it reached proportions which made incorporation advisable, and the business is now operated under the corporate name of W. J. Cowee, Incorporated, of which Mr. Cowee is chief executive. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with this large and rapidly growing enterprise, Mr. Cowee is also president of the Berlin Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and of the Berlin Water Company, both of which are prosperous and rapidly growing concerns. Possessed of a large amount of executive ability, and a keen, almost intuitive, business insight, Mr. Cowee is also able to give close attention to details, and in this rare combination of large executive ability and care for details is found the principal factor of his success. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party, and has always been willing to contribute his share to the public service. He is not a politician in the generally accepted sense of the word, and during the two years of his term as road commissioner he saw to it that there was marked improvement in the condition of the highways. It is characteristic of Mr. Cowee that whatever he undertakes to do he does thoroughly and efficiently. Fraternally he is a member of Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Petersburg, New York; and of Little Hoosick Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Berlin, New York. His club is the Troy Club. Few men are better known or more highly esteemed in Rensselaer county than is Willis Judson Cowee.

Mr. Cowee married, on April 4, 1883, Fannie Taylor, of Berlin, New York, daughter of William F. and Sarah (Green-Dennison) Taylor, and

they are the parents of three children: Sarah, who married Charles S. Gutermuth, of Berlin, New York, and has four children: Holden Cowee, Frances, Allen F., and William Denson; Millicent; and Clarence Harold, deceased, whose sketch follows this.

CLARENCE HAROLD COWEE—Among the many fine, strong young men who, with the promise of the highest success before them, have laid their all upon the altar of their country's service is Clarence Harold Cowee, whose death, on July 26, 1923, occurred as a result of being gassed while in active service in France. The sacrifice made by these splendid young fellows who gave their lives before their careers were more than well begun, calls to those who remain to devote their years to the realization of the ideals for which these young men gave "the last full measure of devotion."

Clarence Harold Cowee, was born in Berlin, New York, November 4, 1888, son of Willis Judson, a sketch of whom precedes this, and Fannie (Taylor) Cowee. He received a careful education in the public schools of his native town and after completion of his high school course, for two years he occupied the position as teller in the Berlin-Taconic Valley Bank, after which he became associated with his father in the manufacturing business, serving as secretary of W. J. Cowee, Incorporated. He was also treasurer of the Berlin Water Company, and a member of the Berlin Electric Light, Heat and Power Company. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War, he tried to enlist in the Navy and was rejected, but was accepted in the draft, in February, 1918, in the Machine Gun Company of the 58th Infantry, 4th Division, with which he landed in France the following July. His division was soon sent to the front and he personally took part in four battles in the Moselle and Argonne-Meuse sectors, during one of which he was gassed. He was corporal of his company and received his honorable discharge in August, 1919. A splendid type of young manhood, possessed of those sterling traits of character which are bound to make their impress in every walk of life, he returned to civilian life with his health undermined by the poisonous gas, but resumed his usual activities for a time. His comrades gave evidence of their high esteem by electing him commander of Taconic Valley Post, American Legion; but his life was nearing its close, and on July 26, 1923, his death occurred, adding one more to the long list of those to whom the nation should stand pledged by all that is sacred to carry forward unsullied the banner on which is inscribed the high ideals for which these strong young men of democracy yielded their lives.

Clarence Harold Cowee married, on June 6, 1922, at Troy, New York, Edith Benneway.

ARVIE ELDRED—Almost a decade of service in the Troy public schools preceded Mr. Eldred's election to the office of superintendent of schools in the city, and in this position he has spent a similar length of years. The school system of Troy is the best authority to cite as to

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the value of his educational work, which has had this city as its only field.

Mr. Eldred is a son of Stephen and Lavesta (Bunce) Eldred, residents of North Pownal, Vermont, his father formerly the owner of a farm in North Petersburg, New York. At this latter place Arvie Eldred was born, November 5, 1880, and he completed his preparatory education with graduation from Hoosick Falls High School, then entered Williams College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1905. A special course in educational work at Columbia University finished his formal education; his degree of Master of Arts, an honorary degree, was awarded by his *alma mater* in 1921.

Mr. Eldred came to Troy in 1905, as principal of Grammar School No. 5, and in 1907 he was appointed head of the mathematics department of the Troy High School. This position he filled until 1914, when he was appointed to his present office, superintendent of schools, to which work he has given himself with an enthusiasm and wise direction that have achieved substantial results. Mr. Eldred is vice-president of the board of managers of the State Training School of Hudson, New York, and he is a director and second vice-president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. During the World War Mr. Eldred was active in the programs and drives of the various relief organizations and in the sale of government securities, and in addition to service as a "four-minute" speaker, directed a training school for men in the service. He is a past president and director of the Rotary Club, holds membership in the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and the Phi Beta Kappa Society; and King Solomon Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, of Troy.

Mr. Eldred married, in Utica, New York, April 9, 1909, Maglona Lewis, daughter of John C. and Jane (Davis) Lewis, her father deceased, having been a manufacturer of carriages; the mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Eldred are the parents of: Lewis, born June 6, 1911; Jane, born September 16, 1915; Ann, born June 27, 1917; and John, born September 14, 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Eldred are attendants of the Second Presbyterian Church.

JOHN JOSEPH MACKRELL was born in the old village of Lansingburg, now the city of Troy, on March 29, 1879, son of John and Ellen (Egan) Mackrell. His father died in the year 1880, leaving besides the widow and son, a daughter, Helen Monica.

John Joseph Mackrell received his preliminary education in the schools of the Lansingburg district, first having attended St. Augustine's Academy, next Powers School, and finally St. Augustine's Academy again, from which he graduated in 1897. During his periods of vacation from school, from the time he was twelve years of age until he graduated, he was variously employed, doing farm work, and in the factories of the United Shirt and Collar Company, the Holmes and Ide Collar Company, Madden Lumber Company, Morrison Brush Company, Lansingburg Forge Works, and by Eugene Morris, who at that time was operating a collar express. Upon graduation he determined to

study law, and for that purpose connected himself with the offices of Farrell & Finder, located at No. 16 First street, Troy, New York. While studying law, to support himself and pay the expenses of his education, in his spare time he was employed first by the Trojan Clothing Company, and later by A. T. Small and W. A. Dorrance, both of whom conducted shoe stores. In addition, he was the manager of a daily reporting financial agency. In 1901 he was admitted to the bar but after admission his health failed and, as a result, for some months he was physically incapacitated. Upon recovery, he took up the practice of law with the firm of attorneys with which he had studied, remaining with them until the year 1904, when he opened law offices at No. 47 Third street, Troy, New York. Subsequently he removed to No. 350 Broadway, then to No. 5 State street, and from there to Cannon place, where he is now located. He had always practiced law by himself until January, 1923, when he associated with him as a co-partner, Charles J. Ranney, a young attorney of this city, the firm being known as Mackrell & Ranney.

Early in life Mr. Mackrell took an interest in politics. In fact, even before he was a voter, he was active in that field, having aligned himself with the Democratic party. In 1900 he was the Democratic nominee for the office of member of Assembly in the First Assembly District of Rensselaer county, his opponent being the late Hon. John M. Chambers. The district was overwhelmingly Republican, but by dint of hard work and strenuous efforts, Mr. Mackrell, tho' defeated, succeeded in materially reducing the normal Republican majority. In 1904 he was appointed examiner of election officials by Hon. Joseph F. Hogan, then Mayor of the city. He served in that office until January 1, 1906, when Hon. Elias P. Mann was elected mayor. In 1909 Mr. Mackrell was the Democratic candidate for the office of justice of the City Court. He was again defeated, but only by a slight majority. In 1911 he was a candidate on the Democratic ticket for the office of president of the Common Council and was elected to that office by a most flattering majority. He served in that capacity for four years, after which he voluntarily retired to devote all his time to the practice of his profession. It was his intention not to seek public office again. In 1918, however, the leaders of the party sought him as the party's candidate for senator, against the late Hon. George B. Wellington, then the occupant of that office. Senator Wellington was a very capable and strong representative, but the Democratic leaders believed that with an active candidate Senator Wellington could be beaten, even though the district was normally Republican by from 2,000 to 4,000 majority. Mr. Mackrell consented to run and made one of the most vigorous campaigns ever made in Rensselaer county. He was elected by approximately 400 majority, the first Democratic representative in the State Senate to be sent from Rensselaer county in several years.

While Senator he interested himself in legislation of much import to his district. He sponsored the bill which had for its purpose the freeing of the Congress Street Bridge, carrying an appropriation of $800,000. He collaborated with Assemblyman Malone, then from Al-

bany county, in the legislation which had for its purpose the freeing of the Greenbush Bridge, carrying with it an appropriation of $890,000. He sponsored the bill which had for its purpose contributions upon the part of the State of New York, of the sum of $300,000, in order to reconstruct the Cohoes-Lansingburg Bridge, which had been destroyed by fire, so that while he was senator, either directly or indirectly, he was an important factor in having legislation passed which meant appropriations for the benefit of Rensselaer county amounting to approximately $2,000,000. He also became interested in the teachers' salary legislation, the purpose of which was to provide contribution upon the part of the State to the various municipalities and school districts to the end that the then poorly paid teachers would have their salaries increased. He was a particularly strong advocate of such a character of that legislation as would assist up-State, city, and rural school districts. He made such a study of the legislation that he was appointed on a committee to investigate State-wide teachers' salary conditions and was continued as a member of that committee after his term of office as senator expired.

While serving in the Senate he was a member of the judiciary, counties and internal affairs committees. As a member of the judiciary committee he was one of those who investigated the charge of Senator George F. Thompson to the effect that he had been offered a $500,000 bribe in connection with the Carson-Martin legislation, now a matter of history. Mr. Mackrell voluntarily retired from the office of senator after one term, desiring not to again become a candidate for that honor. In 1921 he was elected chairman of the Democratic City Committee of the city of Troy, by virtue of which he became the personal manager of the campaign of Hon. James W. Fleming, the party's candidate for mayor. Through his efforts one of the most powerful and detailed working political organizations ever moulded together in Rensselaer county was perfected. Mayor Fleming and his associates on the Democratic ticket were elected by the unprecedented majority of something like 4,500. Shortly after the election Mr. Mackrell resigned as chairman of the City Committee. He was the Democratic candidate for the office of mayor of Troy in 1923, but was defeated by Harry E. Clinton. On January 1, 1923, he was appointed first deputy secretary of State, which position he is now holding.

Activity stands out prominently in Mr. Mackrell's life. Born of poor parents, losing his father when but one year of age, he was confronted with the absolute necessity of hard work, and in that respect he was not found wanting. Even tho' active politically, he has paid the closest attention to the practice of law. To-day he is one of the most successful members of the Rensselaer county bar and has built up a very substantial law practice. He is a student of details, a forceful talker, and is always thoroughly prepared. Withal, he has found time for other labors worthy of mention and in more than one instance has given evidence of marked administrative and executive ability. Always interested in the youth, he was the first president of Lansingburg Play-

grounds Association. It was while he was occupying that office that the old Twelfth Street Park was, by ordinance of the Common Council, appropriated for playground purposes. Under Mr. Mackrell's supervision, it was developed and equipped as the leading playground of the city. He remained the president for four years, until the city took over the management of the institution. Later he became president of the Laureate Boat Club, occupying the position for two years. When he assumed his duties the club was in a deplorable state, both physically and financially. In the two years Mr. Mackrell was president the club house and grounds were completely renovated and the organization placed upon a self-sustaining basis. In September, 1921, he was chosen grand knight of Lansingburg Council, Knights of Columbus, During his term of office the membership roll was increased by over one hundred, the club house completely equipped and furnished, a gymnasium installed, and the mortgage upon the property satisfied in full. If one were to ask concerning his leanings in the direction of the lighter things in life, the answer would be athletics, but even in this direction he has indicated a strenuous tendency. In his youth he was of a frail makeup, physically. To develope himself in that respect he joined the Laureate Boat Club and took up rowing. In a short time he became an expert oarsman and in his first year as a member won the Junior Championship of the organization. Afterwards he competed in many regettas and is to-day the possessor of many medals as evidence of his skill with the oars. He also took up baseball, football, and basketball. Of late years he has confined himself to tennis, measuring up to the average player in this section. His indulgence in athletics has kept him in most excellent physical condition. Besides the Knights of Columbus and the Laureate Boat Club, he is also a member of the Troy Lodge of Elks, Riverside Club, the Troy Club, Rensselaer County Society, Rensselaer County Bar Association, Troy Chamber of Commerce and St. Joseph's Club. Mr. Mackrell is a communicant at St. Augustine's Church, Upper Troy, New York.

Mr. Mackrell married, on July 31, 1923, Margaret E. Connery, and is a resident of Lansingburg, where he has lived since his birth.

HENRY RAYMOND FREEMAN, D. D., in the course of a long and fruitful pastorate, has become a leader in religious work in Troy, and a moving force in civic and moral progress. This record intends only the outlining of the avenues of his service, service which has gained him a large following and broad influence.

Rev. Henry Raymond Freeman is a son of Henry and Mary A. (Morgan) Freeman, his father deceased, his mother still living. Henry Freeman served in the Civil War. Henry Raymond Freeman was born in New York City, March 10, 1860, and after private instruction he entered the theological seminary, later receiving the degree of Doctor of Divinity from St. Stephen's College Dr. Freeman's first charge was St. Mark's Church, at Islip, Long Island, where he remained from 1889 to 1892, then entered upon his rectorship of over thirty years at St.

John's Church, Troy, succeeding the Rev. Thaddeus Snively. There are many tangible results of Dr. Freeman's pastorate, including an enlarged endowment fund and numerous improvements to the physical property of the congregation, but his work in Troy has its real standard of measurement in the spiritual results of a devoted ministry and in the accomplishments of untiring participation in community affairs. Dr. Freeman is a trustee of several church institutions, and a director of others, and has been for nearly thirty years chaplain of the Citizens' Corps of Troy, and is also chaplain of the 105th Infantry Regiment of New York State. In this same capacity he served Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; and also served as prelate of several Masonic bodies, including the office of grand prelate of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States. He has received Masonry's highest distinction, the thirty-third degree. During the World War all three of Dr. Freeman's sons rendered volunteer service in the United States Army, and while at home he was a "four-minute" speaker and an indefatigable supporter of all war work.

Dr. Henry Raymond Freeman married, in New York City, Fannie Ethel H. Herendeen, both of whose parents are deceased, and their children are: Ethel R., married Brant Holme; H. Raymond, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Theodore H., of El Dorado, Arkansas; and Edward H., lives at home.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE HOGEBOOM, M. D., one of the foremost professional men of the day in Rensselaer county, New York, secured his medical training wholly by his own efforts, and has won his way to distinction, first in medicine and latterly in surgery, in which field he holds very high rank. A man of broadly comprehensive interests, he keeps in touch with all advance, and is thoroughly representative of the alert and progressive professional man of the day.

The Hogeboom family is one of note in New York State, having come originally from Holland. John Howland Hogeboom, the pioneer of the family, left Holland in 1665, and crossing the Atlantic, settled in this State. The family has given to the State many men of prominence in professional activities, attorneys, judges, physicians and politicians. John T. Hogeboom, the doctor's father, was an esteemed farmer of Columbia county, New York, a leader of local progress and a man of lofty ideals. The mother, Sarah (McClelland) Hogeboom, was also a member of an old and honored New York State family.

William Lawrence Hogeboom was born on the homestead farm at Ghent, Columbia county, New York, March 21, 1857. His early education was acquired at Ghent, and from boyhood his ambition was to enter the medical profession. When he was about to enter upon his medical studies he found his resources dwindling and was obliged to go to work. He became a school teacher, and was so successful in this field that he was persuaded to continue for a considerable period, during the greater part of the time in the office of principal. For thirteen years Dr. Hogeboom was active as an educator, but he never lost sight of his original

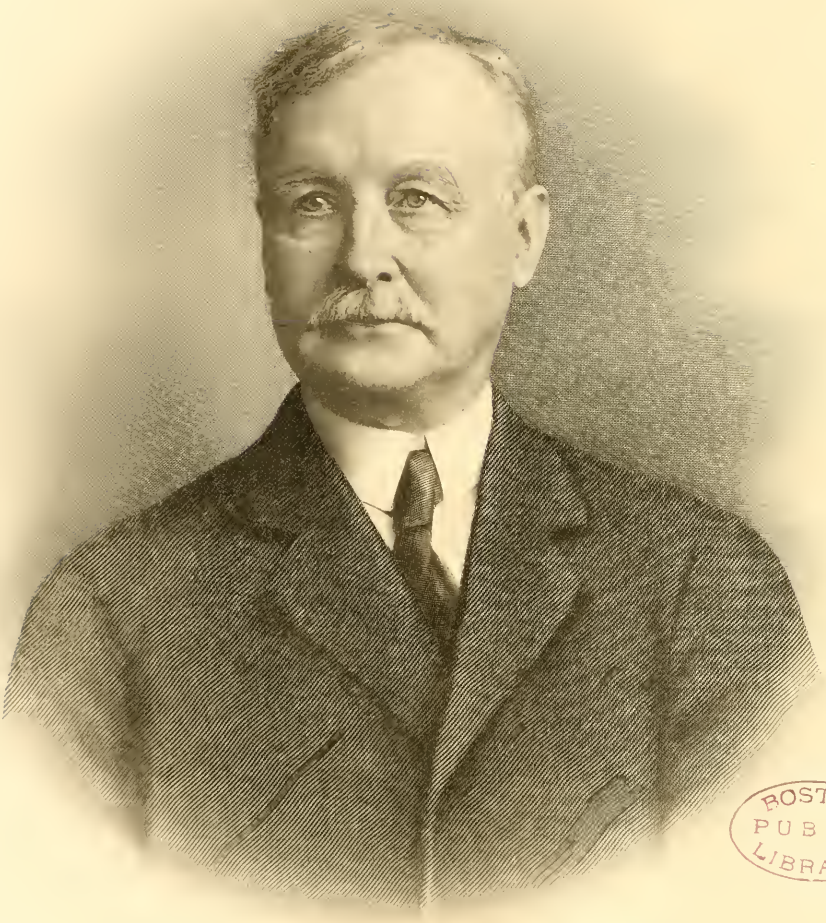
purpose, and eventually entered the medical department of the University of New York. He was graduated from that institution in the class of 1893, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and for nearly two years thereafter was engaged in post-graduate work at Bellevue Hospital, in New York City. On December 5, 1894, Dr. Hogeboom opened his office in Troy and his first patient called the same day. From that time until the present he has progressed steadily. Beginning with principally a medical practice, his work in surgery commanded favorable attention and was so markedly successful that for some years he has been obliged to decline medical work almost wholly in order to meet the demands of his surgical practice. He was active for fifteen years on the staff of the Samaritan Hospital of Troy, as assistant surgeon. Since 1896 he has served as medical examiner in this district for the New York Life Insurance Company, and for fourteen years served the Metropolitan Insurance Company in the same capacity, but has severed his connection with the latter concern. Dr. Hogeboom was formerly president of the Troy District Medical Association, an organization now gone out of existence. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, of which also he was at one time president, and is a member of the New York State Medical Society. He is a member and director of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is identified as a member and veteran of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; also Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar. For recreative interests he turns to the outdoor world, and takes particular pleasure in hunting and fishing, having brought in some fine trophies.

Dr. Hogeboom married (first) Linda Crowe, who died October 2, 1918. He married (second), on October 8, 1919, Maude K. Flannigan, of Ghent, New York, a graduate and registered nurse.

JOSEPH C. BEHAN, son of Christopher and Bridget (Clarke) Behan, was born in the city of Troy, New York, on December 7, 1862. His father, a mason contractor in business, served as a private in Company B, 169th New York Volunteers, during the Civil War.

Joseph C. Behan began the study of law in the office of J. H. Peck in 1879, becoming an attorney in 1884. Then from 1890 until 1919 he was associated with Mr. Peck in the law firm of Peck and Behan. This partnership was terminated in 1919 through the death of the senior partner, Mr. Peck. Mr. Behan is a director of the National City Bank of Troy, New York, and attorney for the Troy Savings Bank.

Mr. Behan married, in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Helen C. Peters, a daughter of James and Nanno (O'Brien)Peters, of Troy, New York, and to this union six children were born: William Clarke, who became a lieutenant of engineers at Camp Humphreys, Virginia, September 25, 1918, and died October 15, 1918, at that camp, from influenza; Joseph C., a lieutenant in the 49th Infantry, who was wounded in the Argonne offensive of September, 1918; John A., who served as corporal at Camp Jackson, in September, 1918, but was not sent overseas; Mary C.; Helen P.; and Anna K.



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HENRY WHEELER—In 1914 Henry Wheeler, cashier of the Union National Bank of Troy, New York, was tendered a dinner at the Troy Club by the officers and directors of the bank in honor of his completion of half a century of continuous connection with the bank. He entered the bank as a lad of fourteen years, December 12, 1864, and by steady application to his duties and absolute fidelity to every trust reposed in him, he has gradually risen, occupying every position in the service of the bank up to president, the position which he has now held for many years. Affable, courteous, kindly and helpful, no man of his city holds a higher position in the esteem of their fellowmen than he. As a banker of executive ability and keen financial insight, he has won the entire confidence of the public, and has acted as administrator of some of the largest estates in Troy.

The Wheeler family has figured notably in the history of Connecticut since the earliest years of the New Haven Colony. In 1638 Moses Wheeler, an Englishman of considerable wealth according to the standard of that period and evidently a man of weight in the community, settled in New Haven, Connecticut, and was among the first to receive an allotment of land. He subsequently settled in Stratford, where he was a leader in public affairs until his death. Moses Wheeler was the first of the name to settle in Connecticut, and his descendants have been of more than passing prominence in the public, professional and industrial life of the State. The English family of which Moses Wheeler is believed to have been a member was seated in the County of Kent, four centuries prior to the coming of the Pilgrims to New England. The name Wheeler is of the class of names derived from an occupation, and signifies literally "the wheelwright." The name "Hugh le Welere" appears on the Hundred Rolls (1273), his residence in Cambridgeshire. The family armorial bearings were:

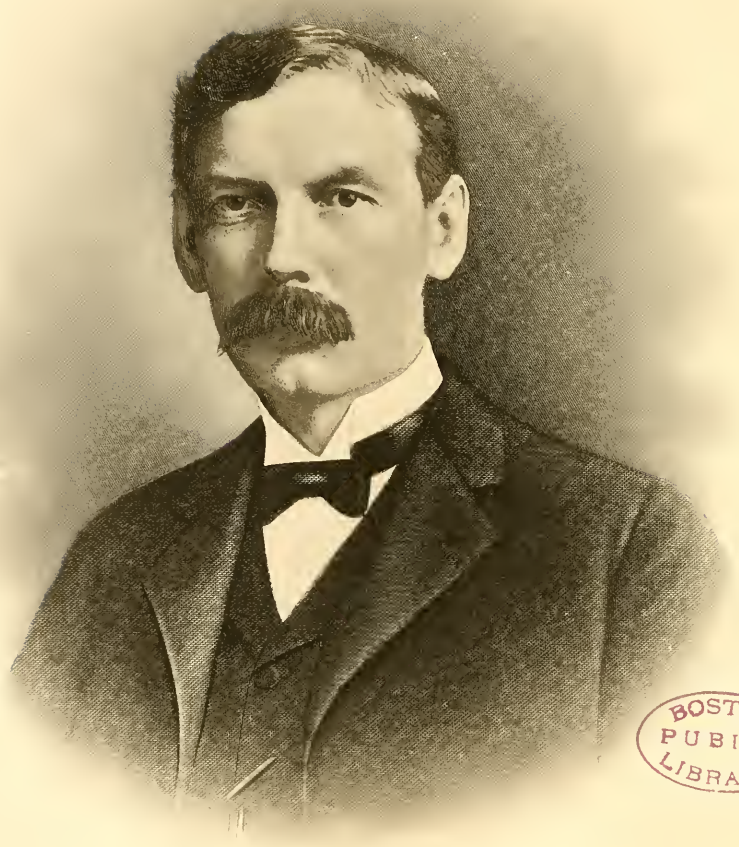
Arms—Vert, on a fesse or, three lions rampant of the first.
Crest—Out of a mural crown or, a griffin's head issuant argent.

Henry Wheeler, of Troy, New York, is a son of James Wheelock Wheeler, and a grandson of George Wheeler, of the New Hampshire branch of this ancient and honorable family. George Wheeler was born November 2, 1782, and died in 1870, in Troy, New York, a graduate of Dartmouth College and a lawyer of great prominence in his day. He married, June 6, 1816, Mary Wheelock, born July 15, 1788, and died in 1828, daughter of James Wheelock, who was a son of Eleazer Wheelock, founder of Dartmouth College. Eleazer Wheelock was born in Windham county, Connecticut, son of Ralph and Ruth (Huntington) Wheelock, and a great-grandson of Ralph Wheelock, a graduate of Cambridge University, England, and a famous preacher, who left Shropshire, England, in 1637, settled in Dedham, Massachusetts, and later in Medfield, where he spent the remainder of his life teaching and preaching. Eleazer Wheelock, a son of Rev. Ralph Wheelock, was a captain of militia during King Philip's War, and being later a man of prosperity, left a sum of money for the education of his grandson and name-

sake, Eleazer Wheelock, founder and first president or Dartmouth College. The latter was a graduate of Yale, class of 1733, studied theology, and became a teacher and preacher to the Indians. He founded Dartmouth College under a charter dated December 13, 1768, and confirmed by King George a little later. Later President Wheelock took up his abode in the township of what is now Hanover, living in a hut in the woods, and two weeks later was joined by his students, some thirty in number, who came to him on foot. In 1771 there was a class of four, including the president's son, John Wheelock, who succeeded his father in 1779, the year of the latter's death. His second wife, Mary (Brinsmaid) Wheelock, was the mother of President John Wheelock. Both these first presidents of Dartmouth were remarkable men. George and Mary (Wheelock) Wheeler were the parents of four children: James Wheelock, of further mention; Lucia P., born April 16, 1819; Mary Eliza, born August 26, 1820, and Abigail K., born July 24, 1823.

James Wheelock Wheeler was born in Hanover, New Hampshire, March 23, 1817, and died in Troy, New York, June 29, 1896. He was educated in Hanover schools, then moved to Brooklyn, New York, where he was engaged as a bookkeeper with a leading mercantile house. In 1861 he settled in Troy, New York, where he was engaged in the manufacture of shirts and collars for five years, as a member of the firm, Wheeler, Colburn & Company. In 1867 he retired from active business, but continued his residence in Troy until his death, thirty years later. He married, April 10, 1849, Mary Sargeant, born September 4, 1827, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Kingsland) Sargeant, her parents born in Parsippany, New Jersey, and members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Troy. Children: Henry, of further mention; Margaret Burt, of Troy, New York, born March 1, 1852; Edmund S., born March 8, 1856, died December 9, 1911, married Clara H. Alden, of Troy, New York, and left two children: Henry S. and Margaret A. Wheeler; and James S., a biography of whom follows.

Henry Wheeler was born in Glenville, Connecticut, February 21, 1850, and when young was brought by his parents to Brooklyn, New York, and in 1861 to Troy, New York, which city has ever since been his home (1851-1923). He attended the public schools until twelve years of age, then became a boy merchant through the purchase of a newspaper route, to which he added two others, these routes many miles in extent, over which he supplied customers with the "Troy Times," "Troy Whig," and the New York papers. This was the beginning of a business career that culminated in the presidency of the Union National Bank half a century later. He also attended school and was employed around the shirt factory operated by his father until December 12, 1864, when, a lad in his fifteenth year, he became office boy at the Union Bank of Troy, then a State bank, now the Union National Bank. The years brought him just reward for his fidelity to the interests of the only institution which has ever commanded his services, and he reviews from the president's chair his career from that day, fifty-eight years ago, when he began his long and honorable connection with the bank. From



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office boy he was made assistant bookkeeper, bookkeeper, teller, 1874-1897; cashier, 1897-1915; president, 1915 to the present (1923). He is also a trustee of the Troy Savings Bank, a governor of Marshall Infirmary, one of the founders and for seventeen years president of the Troy Boys' Club, for many years director and now honorary vice-president; treasurer and trustee of Troy Cemetery Association, and in all these he has been an untiring worker. He was for six years treasurer of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is yet an active member, participating in all the movements conducted under the auspices of the Chamber to aid in Troy's commercial development. During the World War, 1917-18, he took active part in the various drives and movements to aid the government, and was treasurer of the Red Cross War Fund for the Troy district. He is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Troy Commercial Travelers' Association; the Troy and the Republican clubs. His favorite church is the Second Presbyterian of Troy.

Henry Wheeler married, January 31, 1894, Rebecca Robinson, daughter of John and Mary (Moore) Robinson, of Troy.

Such is the life story of one of Troy's eminent citizens, a self-made man in the best sense of the word, and one held in the highest esteem by his fellow-citizens of the city to which he came a lad of eleven years in 1861. He has won his way to the highest office in the institution which he entered in the lowest position, and has never had a promotion which was not fully earned. In his work outside the business world his deepest interest has been in boys. He has ever been a strong, unfailing friend of the Boys' Club, and long was its faithful president. His life has been a worthy one, and may encourage every boy to strive for advancement, no matter how lowly placed in rank.

JAMES S. WHEELER—While his father and brother Henry chose business careers, James S. Wheeler embraced the law, and from 1889 until his passing, sixteen years later, was engaged in the practice of his profession in Troy. He displayed marked ability, and although but a comparatively young man he had won the high opinion of his associates and contemporaries of the bar. Possessing to an unusual degree the legal mind, logical in his reasoning, and sound in counsel, his professional advice was implicitly relied upon. His early death was deeply regretted, not alone by relatives and friends, but by all who knew the manly, courteous and upright young man, even though the acquaintance was slight.

James S. Wheeler was the youngest son of James Wheelock and Mary (Sargeant) Wheeler, and a brother of Henry Wheeler, president of the Union National Bank of Troy, New York (see preceding sketch), also a brother of Edmund S. Wheeler, now, too, deceased, and of Margaret B. Wheeler. The family came to Troy from Brooklyn, New York, in 1861, and in Watervliet, New York, February 3, 1862, James S. Wheeler was born. He died at the home of his brother, Edmund S. Wheeler, on

the Mechanicsville road, north of Waterford, after a week's illness, January 6, 1905.

In the schools of Troy—primary, grammar, and high, the lad pursued his studies with honor, being among the leaders of his class, and at graduation, class of 1881, he was salutatorian. He then entered Williams College, but in the spring of 1883 he was stricken with pneumonia and left in so weakened a condition that he could not return to college in the fall. While still in a state of invalidism, he taught the district school on the Brunswick road, just outside Troy, and when health returned he began the study of law, under the preceptorship of Smith & Wellington, and continued until his own admission to the bar, May 10, 1889. He at once began the practice of law in Troy, and for several years was associated with Andrew P. McKean, under the firm name of Wheeler & McKean. In May, 1899, he was admitted to practice in the United States district courts, and always commanded a good practice. He was engaged in the law for sixteen years, and won his way to a leading position at the Rensselaer county bar. He was for several years attorney and legal adviser to the board of directors of the Union National Bank. As a lawyer his marked ability won for him the admiration of his colleagues, and his early death was deeply regretted, not only by the members of the bar, but by a large number of friends. He was manly, gentlemanly, courteous and kind, his strict integrity and winning personality drawing and holding men to him. He was a member of the County and State Bar associations, Zeta Psi fraternity, the East Side Club, and Troy Commercial Travelers' Association.

At a meeting of the Rensselaer county bar, held to honor two of their fallen comrades,—James S. Wheeler and Theodore F. Hamilton,—Andrew P. McKean, a former partner, presented the following memorial for Mr. Wheeler:

IN MEMORIAM.

James S. Wheeler, in the forty-third year of his age, in the sixteenth of his membership of the legal profession, in which comparatively short time he had earned for himself a position among the foremost, has been suddenly taken from us by the hand of Death.

Born in an adjoining county, just across the lordly river that washes the base of the eminence which is his last resting place, the greater part of his life was lived here in this city, where most of his work was done.

From the very dawn of his early youth, he manifested the high traits of a noble character, which as it developed in his school days, in his college career, in his studies as a law clerk, preparing for his profession, and in the pursuit of his profession, in all its engrossing demands, made him a marked man among all who cherish and strive to attain the high ideals of the order whose ranks he adorned.

Though not often appearing in court as an advocate, yet when he did so, there was an earnestness and a thoroughness about him which instantly attracted attention, and won him the applause of his fellow-members of the bar. He was exceptionally well versed in the underlying principles on which the grand structure of our system of jurisprudence is erected. In the application of those principles to the cause in hand, he had a sagacity and a broadness of judgment that never failed to commend him to the clients whose interests were entrusted to his charge.

As a counsellor he had rare gifts, and these gifts were never used save in a meritorious cause. He neither sought, nor was by nature fitted for, any of the legal tasks in which the conscience gets blunted in the employment of sharp tactics to gain a desired

end. He was too high-minded to descend to anything that savored of duplicity toward an opponent or the court.

His ideals were those of justice and right, and it was always in the defense of justice, and the defense of right that his keen and admirably trained intellect and the fund of his legal training were employed. He had built up by industry, perseverance and skill, a large clientage, important matters were under his keeping, and his acquaintance with affairs and with men of affairs was extensive.

Though not given to oratorical display, he nevertheless was an orator in the true sense of the word; his command of language was great, his diction was of the purest, his ability to present the facts and the logic and law of a cause was frequently demonstrated, and had he chosen the specialty of an advocate, rather than that of a counsellor, he would have been as distinguished in the one rank as he was the other.

He had that enviable distinction which only comes to the pure in heart, and the firm in professional rectitude, in that he enjoyed the unbounded confidence of his legal brethren. His word once pledged was never broken. Others will speak of his character as a citizen, and as a friend. Others will bear, and have borne, testimony to his charity, his kindly instincts, and his honorable relations to the domain outside of his profession. We pay our tribute to his memory as a lawyer, as a member of the bar, and as an officer in the Temple of the Goddess of Justice, at whose shrine he worshipped.

Signed by the committee:

ANDREW P. MCKEAN,
THOMAS S. FAGAN,
H. JUDD WARD,
JAMES FARRELL,
CALVIN S. MCCHESNEY.

Said J. K. Long in part:

He had an enthusiastic love for the beauties of nature; a keen and appreciative eye for the picturesqueness of a landscape. He delighted to be in the fields, in the woods, to watch the sparkling course of the brooks, and to observe the attractions of the scenery in this beautiful valley of the Hudson, in which his life was spent. Nature intended him for an active out-of-door life, though circumstances decided otherwise.

He was peculiarly a clean-minded man in thought, expression and language. Scandal and low gossip were offensive to him, and no one ever heard him utter an impure remark or cloudy jest. While not active in what is called politics, yet he was ever alert to the importance of the duties of a good and patriotic citizen.

He loved his country, he was intensely loyal to the interests of his native State, and he took more than a passing view of the affairs of the municipality in which we live, and more by his example and his walk through life, than by assertion or vociferation, he paid the obligations which good citizenship requires shall be fulfilled.

Of him it may truly be said:

Gone to the realms of purer space,
Our brother leaves effulgent trace,
Of deeds well done and learning bright,
A warrior true in cause of right.
Chivalrous he in act and word,
Gainst him the voice of censure ne'er was heard,
But paeans of praise his brethren give,
To the noble life he strove to live.

THOMAS FRANCIS JUDGE, M. D., son of the late Arthur and the late Margaret (Quinlan) Judge, was born in Troy, New York, on April 4, 1873. His father, Arthur Judge, son of Charles and Mary (Concannon) Judge, was born in Athlone, County West Meath, Ireland, in 1825, emigrated to America in 1845, and coming to Troy, New York, purchased a tract of land on what is now Sixth avenue, north of Rensselaer street. For a number of years he was employed as a foreman by the

Lilly Safe Works, going with that firm to Durham, Pennsylvania, upon its removal to that town, and remaining with it until its failure. During his stay in Durham his family still continued to reside in Troy. The Lilly Safe Works, by the way, manufactured the first combination safe ever made. Returning to Troy, he opened a grocery store at No. 277 North Third street (now No. 2735 Sixth avenue), conducting the same until his death, in 1884. He was one of the incorporators of The Troy Stove Works, which a few years later became the firm of Wagar & Fales, and owned the land on which these works were erected. He was also a charter member of the old Hand Engine No. 9 (The Rough & Readys), which was the predecessor of the Charles Eddy Steamer Company. During the administration of the late Senator Murphy as mayor of Troy, Arthur Judge served as sealer of weights and measures. He was a Jeffersonian Democrat of the old school, always loyal to the interests of his party, and an earnest worker for it. His mother, Mary (Concannon) Judge, died in Troy, New York, in 1872, at the age of 104 years. Dr. Judge's mother, Margaret (Quinlan) Judge, was born in Drocha, County Cavan, Ireland, in 1831. She was the daughter of Harry Quinlan and Margaret McConnen. Her father and grandfather were staunch Irish patriots, both taking a prominent part in rebellions against British misrule, and the former dying from typhus fever whilst being sought by yeomanry, and her grandfather having been killed in action. Both were linen weavers, and one of Margaret Judge's earliest recollections was of a visit paid her home by British troops in search of her father, of his good-bye to his family and his escape through a rear window, of the turning out of the family, the destruction of her father's looms, and the setting fire to the home by the troops. Her mother's brother, John McConnen, was a captain in the British Army under Wellington, fought at the battle of Waterloo, received the grant of a tract of land in Australia, and emigrated to that country in 1816. Margaret Judge was a cousin of the late General Philip Henry Sheridan.

Dr. Judge received his education in the Thirteenth and Tenth Ward schools (now Public Schools Nos. 1 and 3), finishing at La Salle Institute, from which academy he graduated with honors in the class of 1892, supplementing this with a post-graduate course in 1893. He then taught school for one year and worked as a salesman for two years to obtain funds to finance his way through college. In 1893 Dr. Judge enlisted in the 12th Separate Company, National Guard, State of New York, was honorably discharged in 1895, and is at present a member of the Old Guard of Company C (formerly the 12th Separate Company.) He matriculated at the Albany Medical College in 1897, his preceptors being the late Dr. C. B. Herrick, of Troy, and Dr. James Boyd, of Albany. He graduated from that college in 1901, was licensed with honors to practice medicine, and at once began practice in Troy, where he continues to practice as a highly honored and successful member of his profession. He was one of the founders of the Troy Dispensary, and is at present physician to the Department of Charities of the city of Troy.

When the needs of the great army that the United States was put-

ting in the field at home and overseas made such great demands on the physicians and surgeons of this country, Dr. Judge began the formation of a Red Cross unit in May, 1917, and in June, 1917, applied for commission in the Medical Corps, United States Army. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, United States Army, and was assigned to the base hospital at Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts, later becoming surgeon to the 425th Telegraph Battalion, Signal Corps. Upon the mustering out of this outfit at Camp Vail, Little Silver, New Jersey, he was transferred to Fort Hancock, New Jersey, as sanitary officer, and continued to serve as such to that post, the Sandy Hook Proving Grounds, and the Navesink Battery, until his honorable discharge from the service on July 31, 1919. Dr. Judge is at present a captain in the Medical Section, Officers Reserve Corps, with assignment to a motor transportation battalion. When the United States Public Health Service was increased to take care of the great number of disabled veterans of the World War, Dr. Judge was appointed an acting assistant surgeon (June, 1920), and continued to serve in such capacity until February, 1922.

Dr. Judge is a charter member of Noble-Callahan Post, No. 237, American Legion, and is its present commander (1923). He has always taken an active part in veteran affairs and has been honored with several offices, among which was the chairmanship of the first Armistice Day celebration in Troy, and the great success of that affair was due largely to his untiring efforts. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, the American Numismatic Society, etc. He has been a communicant of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church all his life. Dr. Judge has been a devoted student of history, ethnology, natural history, and numismatics for years, and has gathered together a large and varied collection of articles pertaining to these subjects. His collection of Civil War envelopes, of which he has over four thousand, is unrivalled, and he is the possessor of a very rare Navaho Indian blanket, a bayeta hanulchadi, of which there are so few that practically the possessor of every one is known.

Dr. Judge was married, in 1904, to Mary E. Rowan, of Lansingburg, New York, and from this union have sprung the following children: Mary M., Arnold F., Ernestine, Thomas, Jr., and Joseph A. The family homestead is located at No. 3330 Sixth avenue, where Dr. Judge also has his offices.

WILLIAM JOHN QUIRK, alderman of the First Ward of the city of Rensselaer, has already had a remarkably successful business career. He was born in Long Island City, New York, October 18, 1892, son of John Q. and Elizabeth (Riley) Quirk. His father was a native of Poughkeepsie, and settled at Long Island City some time before Mr. Quirk's birth.

Mr. Quirk received his education in the public schools of Long Island

City, and after having completed his preliminary studies, proceeded to the Park School from which he was graduated. Anxious to make a name for himself in the business world, he immediately formed a connection with the Dutchais Manufacturing Company. He found the duties of his position with this company very agreeable, and spent a year in the company's service, acquiring meanwhile an excellent knowledge of business methods and the factors determining success in the manufacturing and industrial world. He became very much interested in electricity during this period, and finally decided to accept a position with the Western Electric Company in New York City, believing that he would thus acquire some practical knowledge concerning electricity and electrical engineering. He, therefore, left the Dutchais Manufacturing Company after having remained with them for a year, and entered the New York office of the Western Electric Company, where he spent the next two years. His experience with the Western Electric Company confirmed his opinion that he would find the electrical field the one best suited to his tastes and abilities and he devoted himself to the study of electricity and the various ways in which electrical energy may be applied to the needs of man with the utmost zeal and energy. In 1912 he was offered a position with the New York Central railroad in the Rensselaer division of the line, and this position he accepted at once. He spent the next ten years with the railroad and held various positions of importance, increasing his knowledge not only of his chosen field of work, but also of men and business affairs in general. In 1922 he was appointed station operator, car inspector, and chief machinist at the South Albany Power House, and this position he now holds. His thorough technical knowledge and long experience render him eminently suitable for this important work and he has fully justified the trust reposed in him by the fidelity and devotion with which he has discharged his duties at the South Albany Power House.

In politics Mr. Quirk is a Democrat. He served for a period of six years as a member of the board of elections and was elected to the office of alderman of the First Ward, an office he now holds. A far-sighted citizen, with the highest ideals of civic duty and responsibility, Mr. Quirk is a fearless champion of progressive legislative policies. He belongs to the Ring Stearnes Fire Company. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and belongs to Rensselaer Lodge, No 267, of that organization In religious faith he is a Catholic, and belongs to the parish of St. John's Church, at Rensselaer, taking an active part in the work of various lay organizations connected therewith.

Mr. Quirk married, at Rensselaer, on April 24, 1916, Anna Gleason, daughter of Martin and Anna Gleason. Mr. and Mrs. Quirk have two children: Betty, born in May, 1917; and William, who was born in July, 1918.

CLARENCE A. McNALLY, president of the Common Council of Rensselaer, New York, was born in the Province of Ontario, Canada, November 12, 1887, son of Edward and Mary (Holland) McNally. His

father, who was of Scotch descent, had emigrated to North America as a young man and had established his family home in Canada, but during Mr. McNally's boyhood the family moved to the United States, and settled at Rockport, New York, where Mr. McNally and his brothers were brought up. He has two brothers, both of whom are older than himself: Grant, and Bruce.

Mr. McNally received his education in the public schools of Rockport, and at home in the family circle, where his parents were at great pains to foster the ambitions and assist in the education of the three boys. When his school days were over, Mr. McNally entered the field of business as an employee of the Stanberg Company, a firm which is widely known as manufacturers of telephone receivers and equipment. From the beginning the work was very agreeable to him and he utilized his leisure hours by making a thorough study of telephone apparatus and general equipment for telephone service. As new patents were taken out and old devices and instruments superseded by more practical and efficient ones, Mr. McNally acquainted himself with the facts concerning each new development and acquired in this manner an excellent knowledge, not only of the finished products of this branch of the manufacturing business, but also of the raw materials out of which telephone equipment is constructed. His expert knowledge and the interest he took in his work recommended him to the attention of the New York Telephone Company and while still a boy in years, he was offered a position with this company in Albany, in April, 1905. Leaving the Stanberg Company, where the relations between himself and his employers had always been of the most pleasant and agreeable character, Mr. McNally entered his new field of labor and continued to devote himself exclusively to the telephone business. Mr. McNally spent nine years in the capital city and during that period he encountered every problem connected with the successful management of telephone service. In 1914 the New York Telephone Company transferred him to Rensselaer, giving him the position of wire chief of Rensselaer, and in this capacity he has served them ever since.

Mr. McNally is a Democrat in politics, and has been a lifelong supporter of Democratic principles and policies. He was elected to the office of president of the Common Council in 1922, and is now serving a two years' term. A great believer in progressive citizenship, for the past fifteen years he has taken an active part in all matters connected with the public welfare. Better schools, better housing, better parks, and improved recreational facilities are matters that find in him a ready friend and champion. He has been a member of the Fire Department for ten years, serving during this entire period in Chemical Hose Company No. 4, also having served as foreman for two years. Mr. McNally belongs to only one lodge, the Forbes Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Rensselaer. A regular church attendant and a man in whose life religion occupies a very important place, Mr. McNally is a member of the First Baptist Church, of Rensselaer, and takes the keenest interest in all the good works carried on by this congregation.

Mr. McNally married, in February, 1908, at Albany, Grace A. Lapens, daughter of Adelbert and Emma (Gerhardt) Lapens. Mr. and Mrs. McNally have two children: Grace A., and Mary E., who were born at Albany.

HON. JOHN FRANCIS SHANNON—Few young men in the early thirties have accomplished so much in personal effort or have won so much in public honor as John F. Shannon, of Troy, New York, insurance executive, city assessor, and former representative to the State Assembly. A native of the State of Connecticut, Mr. Shannon's people have been prominent for several generations in the manufacturing interests of this State, his grandfather, John Shannon, coming to this country from Ireland in about the year 1853, and conducting a shoe manufacturing establishment on Bank street, New London, Connecticut, before the Civil War. At the outbreak of hostilities at that time, he enlisted at Fort Trumbull, in the 2nd Connecticut Light Artillery, and served through several engagements during the war, and received his honorable discharge. His father, John Shannon, the eldest of five children, was born in New London, Connecticut, was a gunmaker by trade, and became a contractor in the manufacture of gun barrels for the Davenport Fire Arms Manufacturing Company of Norwich. His paternal uncle had also been a superintendent of lock manufacturing establishments and firearms plants in Norwich, Connecticut. John Shannon married Carrie Kniffen, who is now a resident of Troy.

John Francis Shannon was born at Norwich, Connecticut, March 3, 1889. His father died when he was five years of age, and when he was seven he came with his mother to the city of Troy, New York, and here attended Public School No. 14 until he was fourteen years of age. During these early days, days of struggle for his mother, he sold milk in the early mornings before going to school, and when he reached the age of fourteen he secured a position as messenger boy. Thus it appears that he began life with great seriousness, as it was presented to him through his mother's struggle. When slightly older he secured a position in an electrical supply house as a helper, and the concern doing also an extensive business in the contracting line, Mr. Shannon learned the trade. During this time he completed his education by attending night schools, both in the public school buildings and at La Salle Institute, gaining much along technical lines and also reaching out into classical fields. At the age of eighteen years Mr. Shannon became identified with the Home Telephone Company, as assistant wire chief, which position he filled for eight years. For six years thereafter, he was with the New York Telephone Company, this organization being the successor of the Home Telephone Company. On July 3, 1921, Mr. Shannon entered an entirely different field of business endeavor, opening an office where he has since been active in the general insurance and real estate business. He handles important interests in real estate, and in the insurance line represents the Travelers' Insurance Company, of Hartford, Connecticut; the Queen Fire Underwriters of America; the Newark

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Fire Underwriters, of Newark, New Jersey; and the New Amsterdam Casualty Company, of New York, and Baltimore, Maryland; of which latter company he is general agent in Troy. He is achieving marked success in his business endeavors and is taking a leading position in his chosen field of activity. Since his early youth, even before attaining his majority, Mr. Shannon felt a deep interest in public affairs and was an active worker for the program of the Democratic party, of which he is still a loyal supporter and in which he has attained the position of a popular leader. In 1912-13 he acted as messenger to the Board of Aldermen of the city of Troy, and in 1913 was elected to the Board of Supervisors from the Fourteenth Ward, his term of service covering the years 1914-15. He had the distinction of being the first and only Democrat elected to this board from the Fourteenth Ward, and served also as chairman of the charity committee. While serving as supervisor Mr. Shannon was elected to the New York State Assembly from the First Assembly District of Rensselaer county, and the quality and scope of his work in the public service is well appraised in the fact that he was reëlected four times. During his first term in the Assembly he continued to fulfill the duties of supervisor until the expiration of his term in that office. He did much constructive legislative work, acting on important committees, and giving especially helpful service on committees that had to do with welfare activities along many lines. One of his first responsibilities at the State house was his appointment to the committees of commerce and navigation, and he also served on the railways committee for two years. In 1918, during the World War, he was made a member of the committee on military affairs, and during that and the following year he served, too, on the ways and means committee. While at all times he was faithful to the interests of the State as a commonwealth and to its every section, he was instrumental in the effect of his influence, in the passage of a number of bills that bore directly on improvements or benefits for the city of Troy and its environs, and the county of his residence; yet in every case in which he distinguished himself in this connection, the result was of more than local benefit. He was instrumental in the abolishment of the toll system of the Congress Street Bridge in Troy, and through his efforts also, the Greenbush Bridge became a free thoroughfare. In both of these instances Mr. Shannon led the fight in the Assembly and held the deciding vote. He also did much active and constructive work for the harbor and dock improvements in Troy and had passed the bill for the Front Street railway improvements. It was due to him also that the bill was passed changing the method of taxation in the city of Troy, which saves the city about $50,000 a year. On the humanitarian side he was one of the principal promoters of the Child Welfare Bill, which placed the State of New York among other progressive States of the union in the attitude taken on the care and oversight of the children of the Commonwealth. On the expiration of his fifth term as a legislator, Mr. Shannon was elected to the Board of Assessors of the city of Troy, his period of service beginning with the year 1920 and continuing for four years. He was again elected

in 1923 for another four-year term, and his work is doing much for the just and equitable distribution of the burden of public expense among the taxpayers of the city. Mr. Shannon is a member of the Young Men's Democratic Club; and having served as a fireman for twelve years as a member of the Arba Read Steamer Company, and served as trustee for one term, he is now a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association. During the World War he was elected president of the Fourteenth Ward Soldiers and Sailors Welfare League, and led a campaign and secured funds to erect a monument which stands in Prospect park, in memory of those sailors and soldiers from Ida Hill, who served during the World War. He is a leading member of the Knights of Columbus, of Troy, and also holds the fourth degree in the Father Van Rensselaer Assembly of the same order. He is a member of St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church, and is a leading figure in the organization of the church, particularly in the Holy Name Society, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. His recreations are athletics, and he has for a number of years been a well-known football player and boxer, fishing also being one of his relaxations.

Mr. Shannon married, on August 18, 1912, Elizabeth T. Fitzgerald, of Troy, and they have five children: Mary Elizabeth, Gertrude Antoinette, John Francis, Jr., all of whom are attending St. Francis' School; Dorothy Josephine, attending public school No. 14; and William, an infant.

LOUIS H. HAYNER—One of the oldest families in Rensselaer county, New York, is the one of which Louis H. Hayner is a member, and in which he represents the sixth generation. For more than 175 years the homestead purchased by the immigrant ancestor has been in the possession of the Hayner family, and it is upon that same homestead farm that Louis H. Hayner has spent his entire life. The following account of the early history of the Hayner family and the Hayner homestead was written by Gladys J. Hayner, daughter of Louis H., and originally published in the Troy "Times."

In the township of Brunswick, on the Hoosick road, is a farm owned and occupied by L. H. Hayner, Justice of the Peace, and a well-known resident, which has been in the possession of the Hayner family for at least one hundred and seventy-five years.

Some time before 1792 Johannes Hener, Sr., with his family, arrived from Holland and took up a grant of land under King George II, of England, in that part of the town which is known as Haynersville. Besides his family, Johannes brought with him two things: enough Holland brick to build a house, and a huge Dutch Bible, printed in 1634. After one hundred years the house was destroyed and in 1837 the present structure erected, but the Bible is still treasured, although comparatively few persons are able to read it.

It is to be regretted that the original grant of land was borrowed by a historian about twenty-five years ago and never returned, but other documents of value and interest have been retained. For example, the commission given by His Excellency, William Tyron, Captain General and Governor-in-Chief of the Province of New York, to John Heyner, Jr., gentleman, of the county of Albany, appointed him Ensign of Captain Henry H. Gardinier's Company of Foot in the Second Battalion in the regiment of militia, in the manor of Rensselaerwyck, "given under my hand and seal at Arnes at Fort George in the city of New York this 30th day of July in the twelfth year of the reign of our sov-

ereign, Lord George the Third, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King Defender of the Faith, etc., Anno Domini, 1772." Also a license "to keep common tavern, and beer and all sorts of spiritous liquors" to Johannes Hayner granted by Abraham C. Cuyler, Mayor of the city of Albany, 1776.

The property was under Patroon Van Rensselaer for many years, as there are several receipts stating that Johannes Hener of the town of Troy and Rensselaerwyck had paid so many pounds New York currency and so many whiffle of wheat, etc., dated 1775, 1784, and so on.

The original site of the Gilead Lutheran Church, which celebrated its one hundredth and seventy-fifth anniversary in September, is at Haynersville. The building was erected in 1746, and Johannes Hener was among the influential members and was "chosen for Trustee according to an act of Legislature of the State of New York, May 6, 1784.

The present owner is in the sixth generation from the original immigrant ancestor, and is also the sixth generation born on the homestead farm. The line of descent is traced through John (Johannes), Jr., son of John (Johannes), Sr.; to his son, Henry Hayner; his son, Adam, who married Margaret Smith; their son, Leonard, father of Louis H. Hayner.

Leonard Hayner, son of Adam and Margaret (Smith) Hayner, was born on the homestead farm, at Haynersville, Brunswick township, New York, March 26, 1845, and died there December 26, 1895. After the completion of his education in the local schools he devoted himself to agricultural pursuits, and for thirty years served as postmaster of Haynersville. He married Jeanette Lockrow, who was born August 4, 1842, and died January 21, 1907, and they were the parents of children, among whom was Louis H., of further mention.

Louis H. Hayner, son of Leonard and Jeanette (Lockrow) Hayner, was born in Haynersville, Brunswick township, New York, February 15, 1869. He attended the public schools of his district and, in common with other lads of his time, assisted his father on the farm during holidays, before and after school hours. When his school training was completed, he devoted his entire attention to agricultural pursuits, and on the homestead farm the entire period of his life has been passed. As a member of one of the oldest families in the State, he is widely known, and he is also connected with several other pioneer families of the locality.

Politically he gives his support to the Republican party, and at the present time (1923) he is serving his third term as justice of the peace. His religious affiliation is with Gilead Lutheran Church, of which he has been a trustee for about twenty years, and with which his family has been connected from the time of its organization.

On November 6, 1896, at Center Brunswick, New York, Louis H. Hayner married Fanny W. Wiley, daughter of Smith W. and Julia (Baucus) Wiley, and they are the parents of two children: Lucy J.; and Gladys J.

ELMER I. HAYNER, from boyhood days, has been devoting his energy to the cultivation of the homestead farm, which, upon the death of his father, became his inheritance. He is one of the well known and highly respected citizens of Brunswick township, and many of his friends

in Haynersville and vicinity are among those whose ancestors shared with Mr. Hayner's forebears the pioneer life of the early Haynerville. He is a descendant of John (Johannes Hener) Hayner. (For further ancestry see preceding sketch of Louis H. Hayner).

The line of descent from John Hayner, immigrant ancestor, to Elmer I. Hayner is through John Hayner, Jr., son of John Hayner, Sr., who married Katherine (name unknown); their son Andrew Hayner, who married Margaret Lohnes; their son Isaac Hayner, who died in 1901 at the age of seventy-five years, married Rebecca Fake, who died in 1892, aged sixty-six, and they were the parents of Franklin J., a sketch of whom follows; Elmer I., of further mention; Augusta S.; and Ida May, who married John Overocken. Rebecca (Fake) Hayner, mother of Mr. Hayner, was a daughter of John Fake, who served as a private in the War of 1812, and of Susan (Lee) Fake, of whom it is related that while her husband was away at war she drove a group of British soldiers away from her chicken coops with a pitch fork.

Elmer I. Hayner, son of Isaac and Rebecca (Fake) Hayner, was born at the old homestead at Haynersville, Brunswick township, Rensselaer county, New York, November 19, 1863, and received his education in the public schools of his native district. From childhood he has assisted his father with the chores on the farm, and immediately after the completion of his school training he engaged in agricultural activities on the home farm. At the death of his father, he inherited the homestead and since that time has continuously devoted his energy to the tilling of the homestead acres. He is widely known as an able, progressive and successful agriculturist, and he is also highly esteemed as a public-spirited citizen. His many sterling qualities of character have won him a host of friends. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. His religious affiliation is with the Gilead Lutheran Church, of which his ancestors have been members for many generations, and which he served as a member of the official board.

At Haynersville, December 21, 1891, Elmer I. Hayner married Jessie Louise Springer, daughter of John and Louisa M. Springer, and they are the parents of four children: C. Willis; Claire S.; Floyd E.; and Jennie, who died in infancy.

FRANKLIN J. HAYNER has been prominent in the local public affairs of Haynersville and of Brunswick township for more than forty years. He is a descendant of one of the oldest families in Rensselaer county, tracing his ancestry on the paternal side to John (Johannes Hener) Hayner, who came to this country from Holland before 1740. (For further ancestry see sketch of Louis H. Hayner on preceding pages).

Franklin J. Hayner, son of Isaac and Rebecca (Fake) Hayner (q. v.), was born at Haynersville, New York, January 18, 1855, and received his education in the public schools of his native district. As was the custom of the time, he, as a young lad, assisted his father on the farm during

vacations and before and after school, and when his school training was completed he continued to assist his father in cultivating the homestead acres. That connection was maintained until the time of his marriage, since which time he has been engaged in farming for himself, and has also been actively engaged in public affairs. Politically he gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party, and he has borne his share of the burden of public office. For fourteen years he served as a member of the Highways Commission; for eight years he was a most efficient justice of the peace; and since 1900 he has served as a member of the board of school trustees. He is widely known and highly esteemed in Brunswick township, and there are few citizens of the county whose ancestors have been so long located in that neighborhood. Fraternally he is affiliated with Raymertown Lodge, No. 672, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and with the Rensselaer county Grange. His religious affiliation is with the Gilead Lutheran Church, which his ancestors helped to organize and which he served as a member of the board of trustees for fifteen years.

On October 10, 1878, at Haynersville, New York, Franklin J. Hayner married Estella M. Snyder (see Snyder line), and they became the parents of three children: 1. Ethna, of whom further. 2. Inez B., who is an active worker in the Red Cross. 3. Roscoe Franklin, who died in 1907.

Ethna Hayner has served for twenty-five years, since 1908, as superintendent of the children's department of the Sunday school connected with the Lutheran church. She married Franklin Flower, son of Benjamin Franklin and Harriet Frances (Rousseau) Flower, of Troy, and grandson of Dr. Benjamin Franklin Flower. Mrs. Harriet Frances (Rousseau) Flower, mother of Franklin Flower, was a daughter of Henry and Harriet (Disbrow) Rousseau, of Troy, and a granddaughter of Dr. Alexander and Mary (Frear) Rousseau, of Troy. Franklin Flower was a charter member of the Brunswick Grange, and was the first lecturer of the organization. He is much interested in birds' eggs, and skilled in the preparation of specimens. The editor of the "Oologist," writing for the issue of December 15, 1916, said of Mr. Flower's work: "We can truly say that in our forty years' experience in birds' egg matters we have never seen as beautifully prepared specimens, no matter where they came from or who did the work. The preparation is absolutely perfect." He is a member of Raymertown Lodge, No. 672, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious connection is with Gilead Lutheran Church. Franklin and Ethna (Hayner) Flower have two children: Rousseau Hayner, born in 1913; and Donald Snyder, born in 1914.

(The Snyder Line).

Mrs. Franklin J. Hayner is also a descendant of John Hayner, immigrant ancestor of her husband, the line being traced through John Hayner, Jr., who married Katherine ———; their son, Frederick Hayner, who married Elizabeth Link; their daughter, Mary Hayner, who

married Jacob Bornt; their daughter, Mary Ann Bornt, who married Jacob L. Snyder, and became the mother of Estella M. Snyder (Mrs. Franklin J. Hayner).

On the paternal side Mrs. Hayner's line is traced as follows: Ludwig Snyder, immigrant ancestor from Wittenberg, Germany, had a son, John Lodowik Snyder, who married Maria Barbara (surname unknown); their son, John George Snyder, married Anna Maria Meer; their son, Captain John Snyder, served in the War of 1812. He married Mary Burdick, daughter of Augustus Burdick, and they were the parents of Jacob L. Snyder, father of Mrs. Franklin J. Hayner.

Jacob L. Snyder, son of Captain John and Mary (Burdick) Snyder, was born October 20, 1831, and died April 26, 1911. Throughout his long career he was devoted to the advancement of the educational activities of the Sunday school, and was rated as the most efficient Sunday school worker in the State of New York. He served his church at different times as delegate, elder, trustee, and for fifteen years as Sunday school superintendent. He was secretary of the Rensselaer county Sunday School Union, after having served as president of the Brunswick and Grafton Sunday School Association for a period of ten years, and for a period of twenty-five years, from January, 1877, to March, 1902, was the able, efficient, and devoted Sunday school missionary of Rensselaer county. Records show that he delivered 2,173 addresses, made 11,264 family calls, attended 165 conventions, and witnessed 841 conversions, while travelling over 31,899 miles during the period of seven years, nine months and twenty-nine days. He also prepared and published two booklets: "A Brief History of the Brunswick and Grafton Sunday School Association" and "A Brief Historical Report of the Sunday Schools in the Town of Brunswick." He did more than any other single individual to raise the standard of Sunday school work throughout the county of Rensselaer, and, although he has been for twelve years now among those who have passed on into the "next doom," his work is still living and growing, and exerts a strong influence over the generations growing up in the Sunday schools of Rensselaer county. Jacob L. Snyder married Mary Ann Bornt, and their only surviving child is Estella M., who married Franklin J. Hayner (q. v.).

At the homestead may be seen a very old Bible in German print, published in 1596, an old painted chest with a secret till brought from Germany, an old sword and an old musket and bayonet, as well as many other relics, including old books, a very old drum with stars representing seventeen States, and relics of later periods, including a belt buckle used in the War of 1812, also a canteen, Captain Snyder's sword, and a collection of candle moulds and old pewter dishes.

HOWARD SAMUEL KENNEDY—Having retired from active participation in the affairs of the largest collar and shirt manufacturing concern in the country, Mr. Kennedy, who until recently was president

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of Cluett, Peabody & Company, Inc., retains his interest in civic, religious, and social organizations of his native city, Troy, New York. He is a member of a family of interesting history and splendid record, which is outlined below.

Clan Uhic, Duncan de Carrick, so-called from a district in Ayrshire, Scotland, lived in the end of the twelfth century, and in 1220 his son, Nicol, actuated by the piety of the age, granted the church of Maybole to the nuns of North Berwick. Nial or Nigel, Earl of Carrick, executed a deed of confirmation and acknowledgment to Roland, son of Nicol, in which he is styled "caput tocius progeniei suae," having right to the calps and whatever else belonged to the chieftainship of his clan, he being head of his race. The most likely derivation of the name Kennedy, which became the common appellation given the clan mentioned after patronymics came into use, and the one most consonant with Seltic practice, is that it is derived from personal appearance, and very likely it is from the blackheaded Roland, "Ceanndubh," that the name Kennedy arose. Certain it is that Carrick and Kennedy were used for the same person in many charters. In Carrick, even until the time of Buchanan, the Gaelic was the spoken language, Gaelic customs prevailed and surnames in that language are yet abundant. Alexander Kennedy, who was chancellor in the time of Baliol, 1295, is the first of the name who appears in written record. In 1296 Alexander Kennedy, with John and Hugh, signed "Ragman's Roll," that bond of allegiance forced on the Scots by Edward I. The name of the people has puzzled antiquarians, but a knowledge of the Gaelic makes a solution easy. It is simply "the people of the black feet," and this appellation seems to have been acquired from their practice of wearing Cuarans of a different character from those in general use among the Highlanders of former ages, which, being made of deer skins with the hair outwards, gave rise to the term "Red Shanks," by which they were distinguished among their lowland countrymen. Uhic Kennedy went from Carrick at an early period and settled in Lochaber, and from him descends the MacUhics, who put themselves under the leadership of the Camerons. The family armorial bearings are as follows:

Arms—Argent, a chevron gules between three crosses crosslet fitchée sable, all within a double tressure, flory, counterflory of the second.
Crest—A dolphin naiant, proper.
Supporters—Two swans proper, beaked and membered gules.
Motto—Avise la fin. (Consider the end).

Peter H. Kennedy, son of Richard Kennedy, was born in Troy, New York, January 22, 1828, died in that city April 5, 1909. He was a woodworker and did fine cabinet work. He followed this occupation in his earlier life, and was engaged in the express business in Troy for twenty years preceding his death. He resided for a time in Stephentown, Rensselaer county, where he followed his trade. About 1850 he located permanently in Troy. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, belonging to Trinity Congregation,

Troy. He married, March 4, 1848, Elizabeth Van Valkenburgh (see Van Valkenburgh line). Peter H. Kennedy and his wife celebrated their golden anniversary, and in 1908 celebrated their sixtieth wedding day. Of their five children, two died in infancy. Children: 1. Richard V., born November 25, 1851, died in May, 1923. He was in the express business founded by his father. 2. Elizabeth M., married Sanford H. Moses, and they are the parents of a daughter, Martha E., who married Everett Snyder, engaged with Cluett, Peabody & Company, Inc., and they have two children: Wilna; and Sanford H., Jr. 3. Howard Samuel, of whom further.

Howard Samuel Kennedy was born July 11, 1858, and after attending the public schools in Troy he secured a position with Coon and Van Valkenburgh, in the collar-making industry. His entire commercial life was devoted to the development of this industry, and by concentrated effort and attention to details he worked his way up from office boy to superintendent of the corporation when it became Coon and Company. In 1889 the firms of Coon and Company and the G. B. Cluett Brothers and Company consolidated and he became the general manager, a position he retained until 1898, when he became an active partner. Upon the incorporation of Cluett, Peabody and Company, in 1911, Mr. Kennedy was made a director and vice-president, and on December 6, 1916, was elected president. This important office he held until February 1, 1919, when, after forty-seven years of continuous participation in this industry, he retired from the firm. Mr. Kennedy's attention is now centered chiefly in church work and he is a trustee, steward, and local preacher of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, of Troy, and occupies the office of executive secretary of the Laymen's Association for the Buffalo area in that denomination. He is a trustee of the Young Men's Christian Association (president, 1914-1921); trustee of Syracuse University; president of the Methodist Social Union, of Troy, New York; vice-president and trustee of the Poultney Academy, of Poultney, Vermont; vice-president of the National City Bank; director of the Red Cross; director of the Samaritan Hospital; and is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce. His club memberships include the Troy Rotary Club, the Troy Club, the Van Schaick Golf Club, and the Republican Club of Troy. Fraternally he is a member of Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Kennedy married, December 17, 1879, Josephine A. Sharp, a daughter of James E. and Jane (Roberts) Sharp, who died November 19, 1920, leaving three children: 1. Howard W., educated in the Troy public schools and Academy, and at the University of Virginia. He was married to Edith Hendee, November 15, 1906, and they have one child, Edith, born March 4, 1911. 2. Richard Oakley, a sketch of whom appears on following pages. 3. Josephine W., who married Frederick R. Bull, of Troy, New York.

(The Van Valkenburgh Line).

The Van Valkenburgh family is one of the old Dutch families of New Amsterdam and the Valley of the Hudson that laid the foundations for the present prosperity of that section and reared families whose descendants are the leading citizens of the cities and town founded by their rugged pioneer ancestors. Lambert and Annatje (Beekman) Van Valkenburgh in 1645 bought a house and twenty-five "morgens" of land in New Amsterdam (Manhattan). In 1654 he was of Beverwyck (Albany). He died prior to 1697. His widow died September 17, 1704. His heirs owned a house and lot in "ye Voddermark" (now the west corner of Green and Beaver streets, Albany). He married, Annatje Beekman, and had sons: Jochem Lambertse, of whom further; and Lambert, baptized July 2, 1652.

(II) Jochem Lambertse Van Valkenburgh, son of Lambert and Annatje (Beekman) Van Valkenburgh, was born in Amsterdam, Holland, in 1646. He removed to Kinderhook, New York, where he died. He married (first) Eva Hendrickse Vrooman, who died in 1706. He married (second), February 23, 1713, Jannetje Mingaal, widow of Lambert Van Alsteyn. Children: Johannes, born about 1680; Hendrick, Abraham, Bartholomew, Lambert Jochemse, of whom further; Isaac, born July 4, 1686; Jacobus, born April 4, 1689; Jochem, born June 5, 1692; and Engeltie, born June 5, 1695.

(III) Lambert Jochemse Van Valkenburgh, son of Jochem Lambertse and Eva Hendrickse (Vrooman) Van Valkenburgh, was born about 1673. He removed to Kinderhook about 1720, where he died. He married March 20, 1693, Jannetje Franse Clauw. Children: Elsie, baptized September 3, 1693; Jochem, baptized January 20, 1695; Pieter, baptized November 11, 1696; Eva, baptized February 19, 1699; Frans, of whom further; Maria, baptized January 7, 1705; Jurriaan, baptized February 26, 1707; Johannes, baptized July 4, 1708; Andries, baptized April 30, 1710; and Wyntje, baptized February 17, 1712.

(IV) Frans Van Valkenburgh, son of Lambert Jochemse and Jannetje France (Clauw) Van Valkenburgh, was baptized in Kinderhook, New York, January 3, 1703, and died there. He married Maria Van Valkenburgh. Among their children was Hendrick, of whom further.

(V) Hendrick Van Valkenburgh, son of Frans and Maria (Van Valkenburgh) Van Valkenburgh, was born in Kinderhook, New York, March 12, 1732. He married Margaret Bogart. Their children: Pieter, of whom further; Lambert, baptized December 3, 1758, served in the Revolution; Maritje, baptized December 7, 1760; Coenradt, baptized November 1, 1762; Johannes, baptized January 6, 1765; Eva, baptized in 1769; Frans, baptized in 1771; Johannes, baptized in 1774; and Melchert, baptized in 1776.

(VI) Pieter Van Valkenburgh, son of Hendrick and Margaret (Bogart) Van Valkenburgh, was baptized at Kinderhook, New York, March 13, 1757. In 1790 he was of Kinderhook, New York, with a

family of five children. Peter Van Valkenburgh served in the Revolutionary War, New York Militia ("New York in the Revolution"). He married, before 1784, Marretje Schemmerhorn. Children: Maria, born in 1784; Richard P., of whom further; and others.

(VII) Richard P. Van Valkenburgh, son of Pieter and Marretje (Schemmerhorn) Van Valkenburgh, was born in Kinderhook, New York, in 1798, and died in Schaghticoke, in 1869. He married, February 22, 1818, Maria DeVoe. Children: Peter Anthony, baptized November 19, 1820; Cornelius Mason, baptized September 27, 1822; Richard Henry, baptized February 22, 1825; Elizabeth, born April 4, 1829, died in Troy, New York, January 4, 1909. She married, March 4, 1848, Peter H. Kennedy. (See Kennedy sketch preceding).

RICHARD OAKLEY KENNEDY, one of the well known and successful business men of Troy, New York, for eighteen years has been identified with the firm of Cluett, Peabody & Company, Inc., of which he is now a member of the board of directors.

Mr. Kennedy is a son of Howard Samuel, who sketch precedes, and Josephine A. (Sharp) Kennedy. He received a careful education in the public schools and in St. Paul's School, at Garden City, Long Island. In 1905 he entered the employ of Cluett, Peabody & Company, Inc., as shipping clerk, and since that time his association with that firm has been continuous. His faithfulness and his ability were early recognized, and at the present time (1923) he is a member of the board of directors of the company. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with Cluett, Peabody & Company, Inc., he is also a member of the board of directors of the Union National Bank. He has a host of friends both among his business colleagues and among those with whom he is associated in other connections, and is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and of all the Scottish Rite bodies, including the consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Troy Club, and of the Van Schaick Island Country Club, and his religious affiliation and that of his family is with the Methodist Episcopal church, which he serves as a member of the board of trustees.

Richard Oakley Kennedy married, on February 6, 1907, Sarah Klein, daughter of Otto and Sarah (Woodruff) Klein, of Troy, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are the parents of three children: Howard S. (2), born October 29, 1907; Richard Oakley, Jr., born June 9, 1911; and John W., born September 13, 1916.

A. W. GALLAGHER, M. D.—A medical practitioner who has had an extensive hospital experience, and who is therefore able to speak with authority on all matters connected with the hospital care and treatment of the sick, Dr. Gallagher has had an unusually busy and interesting life. He was born at Scranton, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1896, son of

W. A. and Catherine (Byron) Gallagher. His father is a director of the New York Life Insurance Company and travels extensively in the interests of that organization. Dr. Gallagher's mother is no longer living. He has a brother, Dr. Leo Joseph Gallagher, who is a doctor of dental surgery at Rensselaer, New York.

At the time when Dr. Gallagher became of school age his parents were residents of Reading, Pennsylvania, and he was accordingly entered as a pupil of the Reading public schools. Before he had proceeded very far in his course of study, the family moved to Baltimore, Maryland, and Dr. Gallagher was transferred to the public schools of that city. This change was not without interest to him in an educational way, and in the new atmosphere of a Southern city, with all the sights and sounds of an unfamiliar but interesting place about him, he began to extend his mental grasp and to give evidence of his intellectual qualities. At Baltimore, he first began to look forward to a medical career, helped thereto by the sight of the splendid medical schools and hospitals which have made Baltimore famous as a center of scientific and humanitarian culture. From Baltimore Dr. Gallagher's parents moved to Brooklyn, New York, where he continued his education in St. John's College and was graduated from the high school. He was then entered as a college student in Fordham University and obtained his Bachelor of Science degree. He remained at this institution until the year 1920, when he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His first interneship was served at St. John's Hospital, Yonkers, New York. He has since been connected with the staff of Blackwell's Island Hospital, New York City; Lenox Hill Hospital, at Berwin; and the Jersey City Hospital, at Jersey City. In 1921 Dr. Gallagher was appointed surgeon for the Walsh Construction Company, who are building a bridge across the Hudson at Castleton, and established an office at Castleton for this service as well as for the general practice of medicine and surgery. In addition to his official position as surgeon for the bridge, Dr. Gallagher is physician and surgeon at Castleton for the Knickerbocker Ice Corporation. Although he is still quite a young man, his fine training and the auspicious manner in which his career has been established have already given him a substantial measure of success. His interests are chiefly professional and he keeps in close touch with the medical research that is being carried on in various parts of the world. He takes the keenest and most scientific interest in new discoveries, and possessing, as he does, a good knowledge of foreign languages, he is extremely well read in current medical literature.

During the World War Dr. Gallagher was a member of the Student Medical Corps, United States Reserves. He now holds membership in the American Medical Association; the New York State Medical Society; and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. At college he was elected a member of the Greek letter fraternity Omega Upsilon Phi, and with the exception of the Rensselaer County Lodge of the Knights of Columbus, and Albany Lodge of Elks, of which he is an active, loyal, and devoted member, these are the only organizations to which Dr. Gallagher belongs.

Born and brought up in the Catholic faith, Dr. Gallagher is now a member of Sacred Heart Church, at Castleton. Although he has been a resident of Rensselaer county for less than two years, his influence as a man of constructive thought and energy has already made itself felt. He is an advocate of better health, and never misses an opportunity to emphasize and to explain the importance of preventive medicine.

Dr. Gallagher married, in New York City, on October 12, 1922, Elizabeth Corcoran, daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Healey) Corcoran. He has one daughter, Elizabeth Eileen.

RUTHERFORD HAYNER, editor-in-chief of this "History of Troy and Rensselaer County," has devoted his spare hours for nearly two years to writing and editing it and for some twenty years before in gathering fugitive data and compiling authorities on local history, and spent all of his working years in newspaper work, a major part in the city of Troy, New York. Born on the farm of his maternal grandfather, Abram Fredericks, in Clarendon, Orleans county, New York, September 21, 1877, Rutherford Hayner, oldest of four children of Nelson McChesney and Frances Adella (Fredericks) Hayner, passed his boyhood days in the village of Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, New York, where he received his early education in the public schools.

Mr. Hayner is a descendant of earliest settlers in Rensselaer county, the Hayners being in the first group of colonists from the Rhine Palatinate located in the present town of Brunswick, and the McChesneys were early Scotch-Irish settlers in the same town, while his mother's ancestors were of the earliest New England stock. At the time of their marriage both his parents were school teachers, and afterward his father was for years a merchant in Schaghticoke and served for twenty-five years as justice of the peace. After occupying many spare hours of his boyhood as a newsboy and grocer's clerk, the youth left the high school grades in the Schaghticoke school at fifteen years of age to learn the printer's trade in the office of the "Schaghticoke Press," the first weekly published in that village. When, two years later, the newspaper plant was moved to another community and two citizens decided to start the "Schaghticoke Sun," the young printer performed the mechanical work and assisted in news gathering. Going to Cambridge and then to Whitehall as a printer, he turned to reporting, and for two years was local editor of the "Whitehall Times." Seeking the field of daily journalism after editing a weekly at Cambridge, he became a reporter for the "Troy Morning Record" in 1897, and late in 1900 joined the staff of "The Troy Times," with which he has since been associated in various capacities, serving as reporter, news, country, city, sports, and radio editor at different times, while for ten years during its publication he was editor of "The Troy Times" Saturday art section, a pioneer in the field of illustrated dailies. He has done much special writing and correspondence for newspapers and periodicals.

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accepting each shifting activity as "all in a day's work," his has been an ever-changing interest, believing that to get most out of life one should be able to do many things, all as well as physical and mental limitations permit. In connection with the art section, Mr. Hayner took up press photography in which he became quite proficient. A penchant for the artistic has been further pursued in painting, drawing, engrossing and lettering, and many handsome, bound memorials, honor rolls and testimonials attest to his skill and taste. Since 1915 he has been the publicity representative of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and when the radio broadcasting station W H A Z was installed at the institute in September, 1922, he undertook the work of arranging its programs and has since been its program director and announcer. Beginning the memorizing of literary selections in youth for the improvement of memory, he found linguistic facility in dialects, and on many occasions has entertained various assemblages with a fund of readings and humorous recitations.

In the anonymity of newspaper writing Mr. Hayner has always found satisfaction, and with his interests centered in his work and his home, he has never sought preference in politics or public affairs. Content to be a reporter—an outside observer—and being other wise too much occupied, he has never become a member of fraternal or social orders, but has been identified only with organizations more or less in his line of work. He was one of the charter members and president of the Troy Newswriters' Association and edited its elaborate Troy Week and Hudson-Fulton issues of "The Reporter." He is vice-president of the Troy Press Club, member of the Troy Society for Spoken English, was first secretary of the Troy Parent-Teacher Association, and was secretary of the Troy Publicity Association during its existence, and was chosen a member of the Troy Centennial Historical Committee. For twenty-five years he has been a member of the Troy Central Young Men's Christian Association. In religion he is of the Unitarian persuasion, and in politics a Republican.

Mr. Hayner married, at Chester, Vermont, June 24, 1903, Mabelle E. Beard, daughter of Warren and Eliza (Stickney) Beard. Mr. and Mrs. Hayner are the parents of two children: Dorothy, born April 11, 1907, and Warren Nelson, born March 6, 1920. They reside at their small farm home, "Sunny Outlook," adjoining West Sand Lake, a hamlet near Troy.

ALEXANDER FAIRWEATHER was born in Rensselaer county, New York, and after an active business career in other parts of the State, settled in the city of Troy, in his native county, and there has built up a large real estate and insurance business. He has been successful in his chosen field and has become widely known through his energetic handling of his affairs, and through the Troy Real Estate Board, Incorporated, an assembly of realtors of which he was one of the prime organizers and the first and only secretary of that board.

David Fairweather, father of Alexander Fairweather, was a native

of Dundee, Scotland, where he remained until 1824, when he came to the United States, settling in Schaghticoke, New York, where he was for many years foreman of the Cable Flax Mills. Leaving Schaghticoke, he purchased a farm in the town of Milton, Saratoga county, New York, and there he died in 1881, at the age of eighty-six years. He married Sarah Gilchrist, also born in Scotland, who died in Milton in 1878. They were the parents of four children, of whom Alexander was the eldest. The other children were: James; David, a farmer, married Emma Dreamer; and John, a farmer, who married Ella Coldwell. The four brothers: Alexander, James, David, and John, are all living at this date, November 15, 1923, and with their families will meet at the home of David Fairweather, at Charlton, Saratoga county, New York, to partake of a Thanksgiving dinner.

Alexander Fairweather, eldest son of David and Sarah (Gilchrist) Fairweather, was born in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, New York, January 27, 1844. He was educated in the public schools and academy, his business life beginning as clerk in a store in Ballston Spa, Saratoga county, New York. He remained in that position eight years, then coming to Troy, New York, was for three years in the employ of P. M. Marston. He then formed a partnership with M. H. Williams, under the firm name of Fairweather & Williams, and they opened a grocery store on River street, Troy. This association lasted for three years, when Mr. Fairweather withdrew to start a wholesale commission and grocery business at No. 380 River street, Troy, which business he sold in 1876. For three years thereafter he was traveling salesman for Grace, Page Company, and for twelve years subsequently for Wing Brothers & Hart, of Albany. He also acted as salesman for a New York City firm, then retired from the road and located in Troy, where he still continues a career as a real estate dealer that has prospered. For many years Mr. Fairweather was interested in the management of the Commercial Travelers' Association of Utica, New York, serving in various official capacities, including that of the vice-presidency. He was one of the founders of the Troy Real Estate Board, Incorporated, as above stated, acting as its secretary. This board is incorporated and is a member of the State Association of Real Estate Boards, and of the National Association of Real Estate Boards. Mr. Fairweather is a member of the Universalist church, and he is the author of "One Hundred Years of Church History." He has served the church as trustee and Sunday school superintendent, and has spoken from many platforms in New York State. Mr. Fairweather's offices are at No. 204 Cameron place, Troy, New York.

Mr. Fairweather married (first), September 8, 1869, Mary Frances Ogden, born in Troy, in 1849, and died in 1918. She was the daughter of James Ogden, youngest son of John Ogden, who was born in England and came to Albany, New York, after residing in Canada. John Ogden married Phoebe Vermilion, and they were the parents of four sons, all born in Albany, New York: Benjamin, Edward, Robert, and James. James Ogden was born in 1805, died in Troy, in 1856, after a

business life as proprietor of a bakery and of a drug store. He married Isabella Pollock, born in Charlton, New York, in 1815, died in Troy, in 1876. Their children were: Henry P., Emma; Phoebe V., who married Elisha Powell, of Troy; Mary Frances, who married Alexander Fairweather; and Sarah. Alexander and Mary Frances (Ogden) Fairweather were the parents of three children, but one surviving infancy, a son, Harry, of further mention. Mr. Fairweather married (second), on January 5, 1919, Mary S. Silkirk, of Troy, New York. The family residence is at No. 4 Lansing avenue, Troy.

Dr. Harry Fairweather, son of Alexander and Mary Frances (Ogden) Fairweather, was born in Troy, on June 12, 1873. He was educated in the public schools and was graduated from the Troy Academy. He then matriculated in the Albany Medical School, receiving his degree of Medical Doctor, October 24, 1898. He then took a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins University, subsequently beginning the practice of his profession in Troy. Life was full of promise for him when an accident suddenly ended his life on April 8, 1909. He had been for five years a volunteer fireman, and after beginning practice as a physician, at a nearby fire, while working with his old associates, a ladder on which he was standing gave way and he fell to the ground with such force that his death resulted. He had been an active member of the Troy Citizens Corps, and organizer and captain of the Hospital Corps of the 105th Regiment.

Dr. Harry Fairweather married, in January, 1906, Rosella C. Higgins, daughter of James Higgins, of Troy, New York.

THOMPSON NEWTON BENNETT—A native son of the Empire State and educated in one of her great universities, Mr. Bennett has chosen the teaching profession as his part of the commonwealth activity, and beginning with the school year of 1922, he assumed the duties of his present position, principal of the Berlin High School. Berlin is a village of Rensselaer county, on the Rutland railroad, twelve miles east of Albany. He is a son of Clyde L. and Clara B. (Thompson) Bennett.

Thompson N. Bennett was born in Rochester, New York, September 4, 1899. His education, begun in the public schools, was continued in the high school at Savannah, Wayne county, New York, and at Syracuse, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science, class of 1922. After graduation he was for a short time out with an engineering crops, but in the spring of 1922 he accepted the responsibilities of the principalship of Berlin High School and there continues (November, 1923). He is a member of Savannah Lodge, No. 764, Free and Accepted Masons; Delta Tau Delta fraternity, Syracuse University Chapter; and a member of the Congregational church.

DR. WILLIAM LEVI CLARK—Few residents of Hoosick, Rensselaer county, New York, are so widely known as is Dr. William Levi Clark, and none are more highly esteemed. Through all kinds of weather for the past thirty-seven years he has ministered to the welfare

of the people of the community and of the surrounding country, and they remember with gratitude the many times he has stood by the bedside of some loved one and fought a winning battle with the "grim destroyer."

Aaron Clark, father of Dr. Clark, was born in 1819, and died in 1901. After receiving a practical education in the public schools of his native district he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed as journeyman and as independent contractor and builder throughout the period of his active career. He married Harriet Patience, who was born in 1821, and died in 1898, and they were the parents of six children: Theresa, Mary A., David Adams, Aaron Baker, Anna Maria, and William Levi, of further mention.

Dr. William Levi Clark, son of Aaron and Harriet (Patience) Clark, was born in Westport, Essex county, New York, September 14, 1863. He received his earliest education in the public schools of his native town and then prepared for college in Beeman Academy, at New Haven, Vermont. When his academic course was completed he matriculated in the medical department of the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated in 1885 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For a year and a half after the completion of his professional studies, Dr. Clark was engaged in practice at Berkshire, Vermont. At the end of that time he removed to the village of Hoosick, locating there December 14, 1886, and from that date to the present time (1923) he has been continuously and faithfully engaged in general practice in that community. During the nearly four decades in which he has been ministering to the physical welfare of the people of Hoosick and the vicinity, he has, by his skill, his faithfulness, and his sincere interest in his patients, not only built up a large clientele, but has also made for himself a most enviable place in the hearts of his many patients. No weather was too inclement, no hour of the night was too late when there was need, and many who are living to-day owe their lives to the prompt action of Dr. Clark. Along with the responsibilities of his large practice Dr. Clark has found time for public service in a professional capacity. He is the township physician and for two terms, comprising five years, served as health officer of the town of Hoosick. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War, in April, 1917, he enlisted and was ordered to Camp Upton, Long Island, New York, where he was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, surgical department, in the base hospital there. Later he was placed in charge of the receiving department of the same hospital and still later, after the inroads of the influenza epidemic became alarming, he was again transferred, this time to the influenza department of that same hospital. His next assignment was to the recruiting service at Albany, New York, from which he was transferred back to Camp Upton, and there discharged at the close of the war. After the close of the war he at once resumed his practice at Hoosick, and there he has continued to the present time (1923). As the years have passed the esteem in which he is held by his many patients has deepened, and so closely has he been connected with the domestic lives of many of the

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residents of Hoosick that he is regarded not only as an honored physician but also as a loved and revered friend. Fraternally he is a member of Van Rensselaer Lodge, No. 400, Free and Accepted Masons, and professionally he is affiliated with the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and New York State Medical Society. His religious affiliation was formerly with the Methodist Episcopal church of Westport, New York, and now is with All Saints' Episcopal Church, of Hoosick, New York.

On September 5, 1888, at Hoosick, New York, Dr. William Levi Clark married Mary L. Mitchell, and they are the parents of two children: Allen and Annie.

WILLIAM SAMUEL HAMILL, a native son of Troy, has devoted the strength of his life to the upbuilding of Troy's interest, and is the executive head of one of the city's important construction companies that has reared, all over Northern New York, buildings that will long stand as monuments to the genius and skill of Troy architects, engineers, and builders. His father, John C. Hamill, is yet living in Troy, retired from business cares. Mrs. Nora L. (Goggin) Hamill, mother of William S. Hamill, died July 7, 1902.

William S. Hamill, son of John C. and Nora L. (Goggin) Hamill, was born in Troy, New York, November 16, 1881. He attended St. Peter's Academy until prepared for entrance to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, whence he was graduated with the degree of Civil Engineer, class of 1904, and was elected president of his class in 1914. The year of his graduation he entered the employ of the city of Troy as assistant engineer at the water works, but he soon resigned his position to become a member of the engineering staff of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad as assistant engineer in the Maintenance of Way Department. In March, 1905, he made another change by forming a connection with the engineering department of the Hudson Valley Construction Company and the C. P. Boland Company as engineer. He continued as engineer with these important companies until 1911, when he resigned and organized the W. S. Hamill Company. He conducted a successful business under that firm name until 1918, when he reorganized as the Hamill Construction Company, of which W. S. Hamill is proprietor.

The Hamill Construction Company conducts its operations in all parts of Northern New York, and has won high reputation. In Troy the company built Leonard Hospital, the Fire Alarm and Police Signal building, and the plant of the Albany Ice Cream Company; in the Rensselaer district, the Mannor School building; in the capital district, adjacent to Troy, the National Bank of Watervliet, the Holster Ice Cream Company building, the Ashgrove Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Manufacturing building, Municipal Gas Company in Albany; the W. E. McEwan Company warehouse, the Tibbitts and Palmer office building and apartment building, the Albany Garage, the warehouse and factory of the Vulcanite Roofing Company, of Albany; the Pierce-Arrow Garage, and many residences all over the district; also the Foote Block Office building, and the Lee House, of Port Henry, New York; the Sherwood

House, Burlington, Vermont, and the high school in Middlebury, Vermont; the company's books showing as high as 200 employees.

In 1914 Mr. Hamill organized the Lindenwood Realty Company, of which he has since been the efficient president and treasurer. This company purchased a large farm in the Lindenwood Park section of Troy, and has converted it into a beautiful residential addition to the city. Mr. Hamill is also engineer for the B. F. Feathers Realty and Construction Company.

At "tech" Mr. Hamill took part in the athletics of the school, was manager of the hockey team, and was a member of the baseball and cross country teams. He was president of the class of 1904, and a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He is an associate member of the American Society of Civil Engineers; of White Hall Council, Knights of Columbus; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and Laureate Boat Club, being a former member of the executive committee. His church relation is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, and he is also a member of St. Peter's Lyceum and St. Peter's Holy Name Society.

William S. Hamill married Ava Maria Bohrer, of Troy, New York, formerly of Forest Glen, Maryland, daughter of Julius S. and Annie (Lavin) Bohrer. Mr. and Mrs. Hamill are the parents of a son, John Gabriel, now a student in Troy High School.

JOHN HENRY FAMIAN COUGHLIN, M. D.—A career of well-rounded activities revealing large ability in his chosen line of professional effort is that of Dr. John H. F. Coughlin, who holds a leading position in the profession in Troy, New York. Dr. Coughlin is a member of an old family of Rensselaer county and a son of Thomas and Marcella (Kelly) Coughlin, of Troy. His father, who resided in this city for many years, was broadly active in the public life of the municipality and for a long period was on the board of school commissioners, his term of service witnessing many improvements in school system and equipment. His death occurred in the year 1892, but the mother is still living.

John Henry Famian Coughlin was born in Troy, New York, August 9, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his graduation from the Troy High School he entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1905 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His institutional experience was received at Troy Hospital, where he served as interne for about one year, and in the year 1906 he established his office in this city. He has since been active in the general practice of medicine, but has specialized more and more definitely in obstetrics. Early winning the confidence of the people and giving ample evidence that this confidence was well placed, Dr. Coughlin has won an enviable position in his chosen field of endeavor and stands among the really significant men of the day in Rensselaer county. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and during the World War he served on the medical examining board of the Troy district, besides giving his

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influence and support to all home war activities. He is now attending physician on the staff of the Troy City Hospital, also St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital, the Catholic Male Orphan Asylum, and the House of the Good Shepherd. His public services, while definitely useful, have thus far been limited to such activities as carry neither official title nor emolument, but in 1923 he was designated as the Democratic candidate for president of the Common Council of the city of Troy, and was elected president of Common Council, No. 623. Fraternally Dr. Coughlin is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the Fourth Degree; also the Foresters of America, and the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. He is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Coughlin married, on November 19, 1921, in New York City, Marion Jackson, who was born in Troy, but went to New York when a little girl, daughter of James J. and Catharine (Fanning) Jackson, of New York City, formerly residents of Troy. Dr. and Mrs. Coughlin have a son, John H. F., born June 27, 1923.

JAMES KNOX POLK PINE—Few men were more prominent or more widely known in the enterprising city of Troy than the late James Knox Polk Pine, a dominant factor in business and financial circles, who won a well-deserved popularity during the period of his active association in business enterprises. In him were united many characteristics which go to constitute success in large affairs. Characterized by foresightedness and singleness of purpose, he built up one of the leading industries of the city, and was an active factor in the control of forces which contributed in large measure to the progress and success of every movement which had for its object the general good.

Members of the Pine family were originally early settlers of the State of Connecticut, whence they removed to Long Island, New York, locating in Hempstead, which for many generations thereafter was the family home. James Pine, the progenitor, and his wife, Hannah, were the parents of James (2) Pine, born about the year 1650, who married and had issue, one of whom was James (3) Pine, born about 1690. He married Grace Carman, and among their children was James (4) Pine, born in 1723, married Mary Buckhout, and among their children was Joshua Pine, born in 1781, in Hempstead, Long Island, died near Hoosick Corners, New York, this last-named, Joshua Pine, being the first member of the family to settle in Rensselaer county. He married Betsy Cottrell, and among their children was James (5), of whom further.

James (5) Pine, father of James K. P. Pine, was born in Hoosick, Rensselaer county, New York, February 9, 1815. He was educated in the schools of his birthplace, and upon arriving at a suitable age secured employment as clerk in a store, then became a merchant, an insurance agent, a lawyer, practicing for a short period of time, and an employee of the Walter A. Wood Company, manufacturers of farming machinery and implements. In all these employments and undertakings he gained valuable experience in the varied problems, the solution of which brought him subsequent success and recognition. He brought out a number of

useful patents of various kinds, which he manufactured in the plant that he built, and of which he was the sole owner, in Troy, and applied them to different implements. He continued in business until advancing age compelled him to retire from active pursuits. He was a Republican in politics, and on November 4, 1900, in his ninety-fifth year, went to the polls and voted, in company with his sons, grandsons, and great-grandsons, four generations thus voting together. Mr. Pine married Sarah Onderkirk, born February 14, 1810, died in May, 1893. Children: Alvina Elizabeth, became the wife of Calvin E. Wright, of Chicago, Illinois; J. Leroy; and James Knox Polk, of whom further. The father of these children died in Troy, New York, in 1913.

James Knox Polk Pine was born in Hoosick, Rensselaer county, New York, November 21, 1841. By attendance at the public schools of Hoosick, and Ball's Academy, Hoosick Falls, he acquired a practical education which qualified him for an active career. In 1860, when nineteen years of age, he took up his residence in Troy, where he secured a position as a clerk with the firm of Coon and Van Valkenburgh, collar manufacturers. Early realizing the necessity of going into business on his own account, he began saving, and two years after he had entered this firm he had accumulated sufficient capital to engage in business on his own account. He then became a member of the firm of Cole, Dyer and Pine, engaged in the manufacture of collars. There were several changes made in the firm, but Mr. Pine always retained his interest, forseeing the importance of the industry in the service of which he had entered, and in 1880 becoming the senior partner of Pine and Hamblin. When his partner, Myron Hamblin, died, Mr. Pine conducted the business alone for the succeeding ten years, meeting with such marked success that in 1884 he was enabled to erect a factory in Lansingburg; six years later the United Shirt and Collar Company was incorporated, including the entire business. It was generally recognized that in his services lay in great part the explanation of Troy's predominance in industry in Northern New York. Because of his business acumen and his integrity of character, upon the incorporation of the People's Bank of Lansingburg, in 1889, Mr. Pine was chosen to fill the highest office, that of president, and he was also chosen to serve as a member of the board of directors of the Troy City National Bank, which was succeeded by the Security Trust Company, of which he was a vice-president. He was too, a trustee of the Troy Savings Bank, the Samaritan Hospital of Troy, the Leonard Hospital, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Young Women's Christian Association, also a director of the Troy Brick Company and of the Ostrander Fire Brick Company. Mr. Pine stood high in the Masonic order, having attained the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and being a member of the various bodies of lodge, chapter and commandery of the York Rite. He was a Presbyterian in religion, and served as elder in the First Presbyterian Church, of Lansingburg. He was a Republican in politics, and held memberships in the Troy, Riverside, Rensselaer and Republican clubs.

Mr. Pine married, on June 22, 1865, Clara M. Adams, of Troy, daugh-

ter of Warren L. and Pamela (Hamblin) Adams. Children: Charles LeRoy, married Grace Kellogg; Kate, became the wife of John A. Kimberly, of Neenah, Wisconsin; Bessie Hamblin; Clara Louise, became the wife of the Rev. A. M. Briggs, of New Jersey; and Warren Adams, who married Marie Lockwood, of New York.

The death of Mr. Pine, which occurred at the Pine summer home at Lake Bomoseen, Castleton, Vermont, September 17, 1919, removed from Troy a man who was held in the highest esteem, the following testimonials attesting this fact. Business men and financiers indicated their respect in the following excerpt taken from a memorial adopted by the board of directors of the People's Bank of Troy:

We know that to our bank he gave the best that was in him. He regarded it as a public trust which he was under sacred obligations to fulfill to the best of his ability. And this was characteristic of the man. Whatever he gave his mind or hand to—to that he gave his whole-hearted support. He was a Christian citizen in the truest and highest sense—whose life was spent in the careful discharge of his duty.

He was one of the old-fashioned men age did not wither nor decay. He was charming to look at. Neat and elegant in appearance he was erect and slender as a young man. Courteous and dignified in his manners, his presence commanded respect, yet did not repel, for his kindliness of expression bespoke him ever to be what he always was—the courteous gentleman of the old school. He was one of those happy men of whom it is said that old age brings only maturity.

In life we honored and respected him. So, in death, let these words and these thoughts be inscribed on the minutes and records of our bank, in testimony of our love and regard for him, and as a memorial of the sincere sorrow we feel that he will no longer be with us to counsel and advise.

The following testimonial was adopted by the directors of the Security Trust Company, of Troy, at a meeting held on September 19, 1919:

On the seventeenth day of September, 1919, at his summer residence at Lake Bomoseen, Vermont, James K. P. Pine, First Vice-President of the Security Trust Company of Troy and president of the United Shirt and Collar Company, departed this life at the age of seventy-eight years.

For over half a century Mr. Pine has been actively identified with the commercial, political, and religious interests of our city. In January, 1881, Mr. Pine was elected a director of the Troy City National Bank, and continued in that capacity until it was succeeded by the Security Trust Company of Troy in 1902, when he was elected one of its vice-presidents. At the time of his death he was its senior vice-president. For many years he has been conspicuously and successfully identified with Troy's leading industry and was president at the time of his death of one of its most prominent manufacturing corporations.

Mr. Pine was a man of sound judgment, of quiet and firm determination, of broad and genial charity, of the strictest integrity, interested in public and private benevolences, devoted to his church, active and influential in all movements for the betterment of city government, and a man of intense nationalistic patriotism. We deplore his loss. This record is made to testify to our appreciation of his manly virtues.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Troy Savings Bank, held in October, 1919, the following resolutions were presented, adopted, and ordered spread upon the records, and an engrossed copy sent to the surviving members of the family:

The passing away of James Knox Polk Pine has broken an association with this bank extending over twenty-seven years.

Before coming into the Bank, he had already won a place of distinction in the

industrial life of the city of Troy and of old Lansingburg, and he brought into the bank a wealth of experience in affairs large and varied.

His equipment for the contest of life was built by himself alone, and on a deep and broad foundation. His achievements were in other fields, yet we prized his alert judgment on financial questions. His clear intelligence, wide knowledge of things of the world, and masterful way of approaching an intricate problem were very helpful in the work of his associates. His character, courage and sense of duty helped to make him an ideal Trustee and servant.

To the sorrowing members of his family and to his business associates we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

WILLIAM M. SHIELDS, President.
J. E. ANTHONY, Secretary.

The following is quoted from the Troy "Times" of September 18, 1919:

James K. P. Pine, who died at Lake Bomoseen, Vermont, yesterday, was a foremost figure in the industry with which he was identified and which is so great a factor in promoting prosperity in the community. Mr. Pine had long held prominence in commercial and financial affairs, and was identified with various interests in a way that brought him into connection with many useful activities. In church, social and fraternal relations he exemplified uprightness and kindliness that won respect and esteem, and he passed away after a career that stamped him as a citizen whose worth is recognized and whose death brings sincere regret to all who knew him.

FRANK H. RENO, the present owner and proprietor of the Reno coal business which was established by his father at Rensselaer, New York, in 1857, and widely known to the trade as an expert in this branch of business, was born at Rensselaer, August 9, 1867. He is a grandson of Nathaniel Reno, who was one of the early citizens of East Schodack, Rensselaer county. Mr. Reno's parents were John M. and Laura (Melius) Reno. His mother was the daughter of Henry Melius, a resident of East Greenbush, and a member of a well-known family. Mr. Reno's father was a business pioneer and had an extremely interesting career. He was educated in the public schools and then became a master carpenter. In the year 1857, when the American coal business was in its infancy and wood was still so plentiful that it was practically free, he turned his attention to the future and saw that the time would come when the great American forest would be greatly restricted in area, while at the same time the ever-growing industries of the continent-wide country would require for their maintenance an enormous amount of fuel. He saw that coal was about to become king in the industrial world and he was likewise one of those who had great faith in the New York farmer's son, Colonel Edward Laurentine Drake, who released the oil wealth of the world by drilling the first oil well in Pennsylvania. In 1857, the year of Colonel Drake's great achievement, the elder Mr. Reno decided to establish himself as an independent dealer in coal. He built his yards at Rensselaer, on the street now known as Broadway, and the business has been carried on at the same address ever since. It is one of the oldest business enterprises in the county and has always been conducted according to the best business principles. During the dark days of the Civil War and throughout the years of commercial depression that succeeded it, the founder supplied coal to all who came for it and carried

accounts that were long past due for years. A man of deep religious faith and actuated throughout his life by a feeling of deep benevolence, he made many gifts of coal to the poor. For this and many other reasons, he was highly esteemed and respected among his fellow townsmen. He was held in such great affection by all classes of the community that the day of his death was almost a day of public mourning. He was a Republican in politics and served as city tax collector for many years. He was a Mason and took a very active part in the affairs of his lodge at Rensselaer. He died in 1888 and was survived for a period of several years by Mr. Reno's mother. There were five children in the family: Henry M., who was named for his mother's father; Charles J., who was associated with the Reno coal business until 1919; Robert; Ada May; and Frank H., of this review.

Frank H. Reno was educated in the public schools of Rensselaer and entered the field of business immediately after his graduation. He was only seventeen years old at the time. In those days, deliveries of coal were made by means of horse drawn vehicles and there was an immense amount of work connected with the care of the coal teams and the business of unloading the coal from river boats, storing it in long piles, and re-loading it on the delivery wagons as occasion demanded. Every ton of coal was loaded and unloaded by manual labor and the work of weighing the loads and maintaining deliveries, especially in seasons when the roads were almost impassable, required the attention of a large force of men. Mr. Reno, who as a boy had always displayed great aptitude for the family business, soon became an invaluable assistant to his father. The substance of coal fascinated him and he turned to science to discover its composition, the probable method of its formation, its distribution, and the answer to many other questions that arose in his mind concerning it. During the years when its various by-products were being discovered in the chemical laboratories of the world, he followed the experiments with attention and as the American coal industry grew to its present place in national affairs, he continued an interested student of the great and beneficent commodity. A practical judge of mineral fuel, an expert in all matters relating to its transportation and storage, Mr. Reno has also given a great deal of thought to the losses occasioned by improper use of coal as, for instance, the use of a high grade fuel for purposes for which a coal of lower grade might be used, and the waste of fuel values caused by defective stoves and furnaces. Since coal has been steadily rising in price ever since the Reno family have been buying and selling it, Mr. Reno is of the opinion that it will still continue to rise and that wiser ways of utilizing its values must soon come into general practice. Mr. Reno has many business friends among the coal men of the Eastern States, and possesses an extensive collection of books and pamphlets bearing on the subject of coal and its use. Entering the family business in 1880, he remained in it as an associate of his father until 1890, when the business was re-organized on account of his father's death and a partnership effected between himself and his elder brother, Charles J. Reno. This partnership continued for twenty-nine years, or

until 1919, when Mr. Reno purchased his brother's interest and became sole owner.

A broad-minded and patriotic citizen, Mr. Reno is keenly interested in local affairs and very ambitious for the future prosperity of the city of Rensselaer. He has always been very active in volunteer fire companies. He has held every office in the J. M. Ring Volunteer Fire Company, and has also served for two years as chief engineer of the fire department of the city of Rensselaer. Although the cares of his business life have left him little time for recreation, Mr. Reno is fond of the great outdoors and knows every mile of the country to the north and west of Rensselaer. He likes camp life and knows how to make himself at home in the woods and mountains. Since the great industrial expansion of Troy and Rensselaer county, he has been an advocate of increased recreational facilities for workers and the public generally. He is also an advocate of public parks and school playgrounds. He is a member of only one fraternal organization, the Knights of the Maccabees, in which he belongs to the Rensselaer lodge. In religious faith he is a member of the Presbyterian church, and both he and his family take the greatest interest in all church activities, whether conducted by the congregation of which they are members for the benefit of Rensselaer and the immediate neighborhood, or by the church as a whole, both at home and in the foreign field.

Mr. Reno married, at Rensselaer, in 1893, Elizabeth A. Jukes, daughter of Joseph and Eliza (Hutchin) Jukes. Both of Mrs. Reno's parents are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Reno have three children, all of whom were born at Rensselaer. They are: Pauline, who was born December 15, 1894; Robert Henry, born March 26, 1901; and Charles J., born April 9, 1911, and who is named for Mr. Reno's elder brother and former partner, Charles J. Reno.

ULSTER DAVIS—A master mariner and pilot, whose personal career has been intimately bound up with the course of river navigation in the Eastern States during the past thirty-five years, Mr. Davis maintains a fleet of ten vessels in the river trade. He was born in Kingston, Ulster county, New York, March 3, 1867, son of James E. and Adelaide (Dunn) Davis. His father was a native of Ulster county and lived there until his death in 1897. Mr. Davis' mother died when he was only thirteen years old, but the careful training she gave him in his childhood and the homely virtues she taught him by precept and example have remained with him throughout his long career and are responsible to a great extent for his present success.

Mr. Davis received his education in the public schools, completing the full course of instruction at the early age of thirteen. Anxious to succeed and to make a place for himself in the business life of the county, he lost no time in beginning to work but accepted a position with his father, who was at that time the proprietor of an express business. Mr. Davis accordingly spent the next three years as the driver of a truck for his father, but the work proved too heavy for a lad of his years and at

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the end of this period he gave it up in order to seek more suitable employment elsewhere. He had no difficulty in finding a position as a worker at the dry dock at New Baltimore. While engaged in this work he became acquainted with Robert H. Zandt, whose daughter, Eugenia, became his wife in 1885, and the acquaintance rapidly developed into a lasting friendship, which was strengthened later by the family relationship created by Mr. Davis' marriage. Before long he entered into partnership with his father-in-law, becoming captain of a steamboat on the Schuyler line. In this partnership Mr. Davis found what was destined to be his life work. The charm and fascination of river navigation laid hold upon his imagination and he found the work increasingly interesting. He was a born sailor and made rapid progress in the art of seamanship, learning the lights and channels of the Hudson and its tributaries, and becoming a master of every phase of a ship's work and life. He remained with his father-in-law from 1887 until 1903, serving as captain of the tug "Saratoga," making innumerable voyages up and down the river which he had come to know so well. Becoming a captain in this manner at the remarkably early age of twenty years, Mr. Davis made good use of the knowledge acquired in the days of his employment at the dry dock at New Baltimore and as a sailor on the Schuyler line before his entrance into partnership with his father-in-law, and during all the long years of his sailing life, he has shown himself to be a master of the nautical art, a man of courage and resourcefulness, and skilled in business management no less than in navigation.

In 1903 when he left his father-in-law, Mr. Davis organized the Albany Towing Company, of which he became president and general manager. This venture proved to be an immediate success. In those days, when a great deal of freight was transported by canal and river service, there was a constant demand for towing service and Mr. Davis, who had a wide reputation as a captain and pilot, had frequently to enlarge his facilities in order to keep pace with the commissions entrusted to him. He continued to direct the affairs of the Albany Towing Company until 1913, when he decided to accept an advantageous offer and sold the business to the Cornell Steamboat Company. Taking his capital and the profits of his sale of the Albany Towing Company, Mr. Davis then established himself at Rensselaer, as the proprietor of the Ulster Davis Individual, and his business has grown steadily since its foundation. At the present time he operates a fleet of ten vessels and is known on all the major inland waterways of the East. He holds a master's license to navigate ships of unlimited tonnage on the Hudson river, the Housatonic river, the Connecticut river, and in the waters of Lake Champlain. His skill and ability as a pilot is known in shipping circles throughout the East, and he has often successfully piloted ships up the Hudson river when other pilots had given up the task as hopeless. An authority on navigation, Mr. Davis takes a great interest in the maintenance and preservation of American navigable streams and watercourses. He believes in the expansion of the canal system and is an advocate of the ad-

vantages of transporting freight by water. He also believes in the establishment and maintenance of a powerful merchant marine for America, which shall once more carry the flag to all ports of the world and restore the prestige enjoyed by the United States as a maritime power in the days of the famous clipper ships. Not less important than the maintenance of the merchant marine is the support of the navy, and Mr. Davis is a believer in naval preparedness, taking an especial interest in the peacetime work of the navy. Among the many vital interests of sailors and maritime business men, is the maintenance of adequate lighthouses and buoys in dangerous localities. Mr. Davis is keenly interested in the development of modern inventions designed to safeguard the lives of sailors and to prevent the loss of valuable ships and cargoes, no less in lakes and on rivers than along the open sea. He knows all the lights in his own territory and takes an interest in many famous ones which, although not known to him personally, are yet the pride of every American who understands the hazards of their construction and upkeep. As a distinguished captain and pilot, Mr. Davis is a member of the National Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots of America, of which he serves as national trustee.

In politics Mr. Davis is a staunch supporter of Democratic principles. He was formerly a member of the school board of Rensselaer, and has always taken a great interest in the public school system, believing that every child is entitled to a sound vocational training as well as to a purely cultural or business education. He is a member of the Albany Club of Downtown Business Men, and belongs to the Albany Lodge, No. 49, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a Mason, and holds membership in Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons; and of Chapter No. 274, Royal Arch Masons, of Rensselaer.

Mr. Davis married, at New Baltimore, on June 7, 1885, Eugenia Zandt, daughter of Robert H. and Julia Zandt. Mr. and Mrs. Davis had three children: Robert, who was named for his mother's father; Royal, who died in infancy; and Laura, who was born at Rensselaer.

ABBOTT HAYNER JONES—Six years of Mr. Jones' many years in the legal profession were devoted to the interests of Rensselaer county, New York, in the office of district attorney, a post he filled with distinction. He has a very large clientele in his general law practice in the city of Troy, New York, where he at present resides. His parents were Abbott and Louise Jones.

Abbott Hayner Jones was born at Troy, New York, in December, 1873. When he had completed his studies in the high school of that city, he studied law in the office of King & King, and later in the office of Merritt & Byron. In 1895 he was admitted to the bar and has since become one of Troy's prominent lawyers with a record in the city and county deserving of praise. Between the years 1900 and 1909 he occupied the position of police judge of the city of Troy, and from 1909 to 1912, and 1917 to 1920 was district attorney for the county.

His membership in various fraternal and other organizations is extensive and includes the following: New York State Bar Association; Rensselaer County Bar Association; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Troy; Troy Club; Troy Laureate Boat Club, in which he was a director for a time; and Knights of Columbus. For recreation he indulges in hunting, fishing and allied sports.

Mr. Jones was married in 1905 to Elizabeth Fitzgerald, and they are the parents of three children: Louise H., educated in the Troy Parochial School, and Emma Willard School; Abbott Hayner, Jr., and Edward Steward, both educated in the parochial school.

GUSTAVE AUGUST LEWIS, as owner and manager of the sheet metal ornamental business which operates under the name of Lewis & Westbrook, is at the head of one of the best known enterprises of its kind in Rensselaer county. For nearly a decade he has been building up and expanding the enterprise and he has executed large contracts both in this county and in South America.

Born in Montreal, Canada, Mr. Lewis is a son of Henry and Emelie (Gerard) Lewis, both natives of Montreal, Canada, and both now deceased. After attending the Brothers' School, at Montreal, he continued his studies in the Seminary of Nicolet, Province of Quebec, Canada, and when his education was completed learned the sheet ornamental metal trade. In 1893 he left Canada and came to Troy, New York, where he entered the employ of Williams and Manogue in the capacity of foreman. Eleven years later, in 1904, he became a partner of Mr. Manogue under the firm name of the Edward Manogue Company. The partnership was continued until 1915, when Mr. Lewis purchased the interest of his partner and continued the business alone. For eight years he continued without a partner, but at the end of that time, in 1923, he decided that the business had grown to proportions which made a partner advisable, and admitted John H. Westbrook (q. v.) to partnership, changing the name to Lewis & Westbrook. The firm does all sorts of sheet metal ornamental work, such as skylights, roofing, cornices, etc., and has been called upon to fill contracts of great importance both in this country and in some of the countries in South America. Mr. Lewis made the copper work for the capitol of Brazil, at Rio de Janiero, which includes the cornices, skylights, the ornamental work inside the tower, and four statues which stand outside, each symbolic. He also filled contracts for Troy Hospital, Samaritan Hospital, the William H. Frear Store, Gay Company Store, Rensselaer County Court House, New York Telephone building of Troy, the Ballston Catholic Church, Searle Collar Shop (now the Cluett Shop) the Van Zandt & Jacobs Collar Shop, many of the public school buildings and parochial school buildings, and numerous other large undertakings. Mr. Lewis is widely known, not only as a skilled artisan and a man of sound business principles, but also as a man of unusual artistic ability. His patrons always receive prompt and courteous attention and his contracts are kept to the letter. He has many friends in Troy and vicinity and is recognized as one of the able and pro-

gressive citizens of the community. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of St. Jean de Baptist.

Gustave August Lewis married, on November 27, 1887, at Richmond, Canada, Sarah Garneau, daughter of William and Mary (Labonte) Garneau, of Montreal, the former of whom is now a resident of Troy, New York, and the latter of whom is deceased.

DR. THOMAS J. GUY—Few names bear closer and at the same time loftier significance to the people of Troy, New York, then that of Dr. Thomas J. Guy, who for nearly half a century presided at the keys of the wonderful organ built especially under his direction and for his use, which is still the pride of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy. A man of noble spirit and broad vision, he gave to the world the exquisite expression of his thoughts and aspirations in the unspoken language of music.

Thomas J. Guy was born in Troy, New York, February 4, 1833, and died February 18, 1900. His early education was received in the local schools, but it was soon clearly apparent that he possessed unusual musical genius and its encouragement and careful training meant much to his native city and to the world in the subsequent years of his life. It was as a young man of about twenty that Dr. Guy received his first recognition from a figure of national prominence, no less a critic, than Dr. J. G. Holland. Dr. Guy was in Westfield, Massachusetts, whither he had been called to try an organ especially constructed there for the Park Congregational Church of Troy. A recital was arranged and Dr. Holland, then editorially connected with the Springfield "Republican," was present. His comment, which has been repeatedly quoted, was as follows:

> He astonished every one. He is a young man, not over twenty, but his execution would have been honorable to the most celebrated players of the country. It exhibited long practice and most decided musical genius.

Not long after this event the young musician was sought by the authorities of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Troy as organist. This in itself was a great compliment to his talent, and well appraised his early fame, but to his astonishment and delight, they proposed building a new cathedral organ which should give him the opportunity they felt he deserved, of adequate mechanical equipment for the expression of his genius. Perhaps only music lovers can fully appreciate how much this meant to a young man just entering seriously upon a career in a field too often understood but vaguely by the unprofessional layman. Years were spent in the creation and the perfection of this wonderful instrument, which was built under Dr. Guy's direction. At last, in the year 1858, it was installed—a marvel of that day, and still a marvel, although two generations listened to the master hand upon the keys, and a third generation has grown to maturity since that hand was stilled in death. This organ, with fifty-four stops, and pedal pipes thirty-two feet in height, formed a worthy medium for the harmonies of the great composers un-

der the genius of Dr. Guy, and music lovers came from far and wide to hear him and revel in the wonderful tone and power of the instrument, which is considered one of the finest of its kind in America. Dr. Guy acted as a conductor of the choir as well as organist, and the duties of this position can be better comprehended perhaps through the statement that frequently ninety voices, besides chimes, bells and carilloneum made up this choir. Other churches also benefited from his wonderful ability, as for a quarter of a century he acted as organist for the five o'clock services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. He was organist of Christ Church for a period in 1869, and his name was the leading attraction at many organ recitals, exhibitions and great occasions of every nature in every part of the country, having played in many distant States.

To confine any review of Dr. Guy's career to his activity as organist would be to record only one phase of his life. His talent as a conductor was no less marked. He inspired a large body of singers, swaying them as he controlled the organ. When he was still a young man he was made director of the Oratorio Society, the most important choral body of Troy, and under his direction this organization produced such masterpieces as Handel's "Judas Maccabeus," "Samson" and "Joshua," Rossini's "Stabat Mater," and other famous oratorios. He was the first to produce "Joshua" in the United States. He was a master also of the piano, and possessed a brilliant baritone voice. During his long connection with St. Joseph's, he was the only baritone soloist of that famous choir. His genius as a teacher of music gave the world many distinguished performers, but in the last analysis, perhaps, his work as a composer is the most important, for it still lives and will continue to live when even his pupils are gone. There is a spontaneity in his compositions which marks the mind as well as the hand of the master. His "Grand Mass for Solo, Quartette and Chorus" is as imposing as it is beautiful, with its exquisite, but never dominant, organ accompainment. He also transcribed for the piano some of the most noteworthy organ music, including "Vesper Hymn," known for the piano as "Magnificat," and the great "Rakoscy March" of Liszt. Other favorite works of Dr. Guy are the "Impromptu in A Minor," "The March of the Conquerors," "Electic Waltz," "Etude Waltz," and "Caprice Rustique." Dr. Guy set to music Thomas Campbell's beautiful poem, "Friendship, Love and Truth," as a quartette for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, dedicating it to this order, in which it is still one of the favorite songs on every program. As long ago as the year 1870, in June of that year, Fordham University conferred upon this genius the degree of Doctor of Music, an honor which he cherished as long as he lived, and which all who knew him considered a fitting recognition of his ability. Not only in his professional capacity, but as a man and a citizen, he was honored and esteemed. As early as 1860 he was elected to the school board of Troy, in recognition of his ability as a teacher, and serving six years at that time, he was later, in 1887, again elected to the board, serving until his death as president of the body. His commanding presence made him a notable personage, still he was a man of deep and consistent modesty,

regarding his great talent as a gift—a sacred trust. To those who recall his personality, his memory is a benediction. To those who hear or can interpret his compositions, his great and sympathetic spirit reaches out over the years in the expression of the lofty ideals and delicate appreciation of beauty which governed and brightened his life.

Dr. Guy married (first) Mary A. E. Hackett, who died May 2, 1869, and they were the parents of one son, Thomas H., a review of whose life follows. Dr. Guy married (second) Mrs. Delia A. (Peet) Seymour, widow of Henry I. Seymour, who survived him for many years, passing away in March of 1918. At the time of her marriage she was the soprano soloist at the Albany Roman Catholic Cathedral, Albany, New York.

THOMAS H. GUY—Occupying a foremost position in the ranks of the legal profession in Rensselaer county, New York, Thomas H. Guy, of Troy, is a thoroughly representative figure in the professional life of the day, urbane, yet alert to every phase of progress or change, successful in his profession, yet never satisfied except with constantly higher attainment, he has long taken a prominent part in civic as well as professional advance, and is widely known throughout his native State. Mr. Guy is a son of Dr. Thomas J. Guy, one of the most noted musicians which Rensselaer county has ever given to the world, organist of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Troy, New York, for upwards of half a century, a sketch of whom precedes this.

Thomas H. Guy, son of Dr. Thomas J. and Mary A. E. (Hackett) Guy, was born in Troy, New York, March 31, 1867. As a lad he attended the local public schools, and following his completion of the high school course, he spent a year in preparatory work at Georgetown College, now Georgetown University, at Washington, District of Columbia. He then took up a course in the liberal arts at Yale University, from which institution he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1891. Then entering Albany Law School, he received his Bachelor of Laws degree from that institution upon his graduation in the class of 1893. Beginning practice within the year, he soon gained an assured footing in the profession, and the following year he was appointed private secretary to Mayor Molloy, of Troy, a position which he filled for six years. Thereafter for a considerable period Mr. Guy devoted his entire attention to his steadily growing practice, but in 1913 he was again brought forward in the public service as deputy conservation commissioner of the State of New York, in which capacity he was active for three years. He then resigned to accept the office of corporation counsel for the city of Troy, in which he still serves. His private practice commands a share of his attention and as a member of the firm of Murphy, Aldrich & Guy, he is very highly esteemed both in the profession and in other contemporary avenues of advance.

Mr. Guy is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, of which he was first vice-president; and by political affiliation is a Democrat. He is a member of the Troy Club, the Van Schaick Island Golf

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Club; the Yale Club, New York City; and a director of the Manufacturers' Bank. In his religious affiliation he is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

ROBERT STURGES, who is an optician of thirty-seven years' experience, was born in England, on September 5, 1863, a son of Joseph and Mary Sturges. Robert Sturges came to America in 1880. He married Barbara Greiser, of Watervliet, New York, and they are the parents of two sons: Robert G., and Richard G. Mr. Sturges' business is located in Troy, New York, as is also the family residence.

EDWARD J. DONOHUE—Among the prominent lawyers actively practicing in Troy, New York, is Edward J. Donohue, who has established a very large clientele throughout Rensselaer and adjoining counties and made for himself an enviable reputation as a trial lawyer. Born on his father's farm at Speigletown, in the old town of Lansingburg, near the city of Troy, Rensselaer county, New York, October 1, 1884, Mr. Donohue is a son of Edward and Ellen (Duggan) Donohue, both deceased. He received his early training in the country schools of his native district, but when he was eleven years of age his father died and the family removed to the city of Troy, where he continued his studies in St. Augustine's Academy, from which institution he was graduated in 1901.

After working for a short time in the collar factories of the city, he commenced the study of law in the offices of Betts & Draper, and attended the Albany Law School, graduating with high honors in 1906, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. During the same year he was admitted to the bar, and besides practicing independently, acted in the capacity of managing clerk in the offices of Betts & Draper until 1910. Too close and continuous application to studies and business affairs, however, brought on a complete nervous breakdown that year, and acting upon the advice of his physician he for a time abandoned the practice of law and for four years devoted his entire energy and attention to the active working of a two-hundred-acre farm at Speigletown. During that period he was a real "dirt farmer," working every day in the fields, actively performing all of the duties incident to farming. This outdoor life brought about a complete recovery of health, enabling him in 1915 to resume the active practice of the law. Although greatly handicapped by the four years' lapse from the practice of his profession, entailing the complete loss of all clientele and necessitating an absolutely new start, Mr. Donohue has become one of the most successful lawyers of the community, with a very large general civil practice and one of the best equipped law offices in the city of Troy. Added to his thorough knowledge and his clear perception of the vital points involved in a given case, Mr. Donohue's strong personality, indomitable spirit, and patience in sifting facts, have given him an enviable reputation as a trial lawyer and won for him the esteem of both his professional associates and his clients.

Upon recovery of his health he sold the farm at Speigletown and has

since resided, during the summer months, at Melrose and Valley Falls, which latter village he served as president for one term. During his term as president of Valley Falls many improvements were made, among which were the laying of concrete sidewalks, improvement of the electric lighting system, and improvement of the grade crossings within the village. He has always taken an active and sincere interest in civic affairs and devoted most of his time and energy during the World War to the various duties which lawyers were called upon to perform at that time. Although exempt from military duty, he waived all exemption in the draft and was about to be inducted into the service when the armistice was signed. In politics he is an Independent. He is affiliated with the following organizations: New York State Bar Association; Rensselaer County Bar Association; Alumni Association of the Albany Law School; St. Augustine's Alumni Association; Knights of Columbus; Young Men's Christian Association; Owls Club; and Laureate Boat Club. He is a practical Roman Catholic, attending St. Augustine's Church. He is also a member of St. Vincent de Paul Society, a charitable organization connected with the church.

On November 25, 1908, Mr. Donohue married Angela F. McBride, daughter of Francis and Sarah (Healy) McBride, of Brooklyn, New York.

HON. JOHN PETER RYAN—A well-rounded life, reaching forward along various lines of civic, social and patriotic advance is that of Hon. John P. Ryan, one of the younger men in whose hands have been placed the responsibilities of the legislator. A native and practically lifelong resident of the city of Troy, Mr. Ryan has been usefully employed since boyhood, and has built up his own success by persistent efforts, which were the spontaneous expression of his idealistic temperament. Never satisfied with the mediocre, but always aspiring to stand higher, his individual effort and public activity are parallel lines of progress. He is a son of Thomas Ryan, who was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, and came to the United States at the age of twenty years, settling in Troy. A man of the highest integrity, cordially respected by all who knew him, he was a laborer by occupation, and died in the faith of the Roman Catholic church in 1901. He married, in Troy, Mary Young, who also was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, where in their early youth they were friends. They were married at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Troy. Mrs. Ryan still survives her husband.

John P. Ryan was born in Troy, New York, June 28, 1891. He first attended Public School No. 10, then La Salle Institute, but he was scarcely thirteen years of age when he struck out into the world of men and affairs and secured a position as check boy in Frear's department store. He was not satisfied, however, to go forward without further educational opportunities, and he availed himself of the Young Men's Christian Association night school sessions, and later also covered a course at the Troy Business College. Mr. Ryan remained with

the Frear interests until the year 1917, and during that period worked up to the responsibilities of furniture salesman. With the intervention of the United States in Europe, he felt that he wished to do some war work, although on the exempt list. Accordingly, resigning his position at some financial sacrifice, he entered the employ of the General Electric Company, at Schenectady, New York. He later entered the mechanism assembling department at the United States Arsenal at Watervliet, where he continued until December 1, 1919. At that time the war activities having expended themselves, he resumed his work as furniture salesman, becoming identified with the Gumbel Company of Troy, New York. On January 1, 1922, he accepted a similar position with Reynolds Furniture Store of Troy, and his connection with this firm still endures, but he is allowed a leave of absence during the session of the State Legislature.

From the time of attaining his majority Mr. Ryan was deeply interested in political affairs, and during the entire intervening period has been a worker in the ranks of the Democratic party. But until recently his business activities have commanded his time and attention to the exclusion of his acceptance of official responsibilities. In the fall of 1922 he was urged to run for State Senator and was finally persuaded to do so. His popularity is well appraised by the fact that in the Thirty-first Senatorial District (Rensselaer county), a strictly Republican district, he was elected by a gratifying majority. The courtesy of the Reynolds Furniture Store permitted him to take up the duties of a legislator with no other responsibilities commanding his attention, and he is making a remarkable record in the Senate Chamber of the State, serving on many important committees. These include the committee of affairs of villages and counties, of which he is chairman; of internal affairs, agriculture, civil service, navigation and commerce, also canals. His work in all these connections is distinctly constructive, looking not only toward his own fame of honor, but toward the welfare of the people in every instance, the greatest good to the greatest number. He has as yet been active in his Senatorial duties for only a very few months, but he is conceded to be one of the most promising young men whom this district has ever sent as its representative in the Upper House of the State Legislature.

Mr. Ryan's interest in outdoor sports is his chief recreation, and he has always been deeply interested in baseball and basketball, having played as an amateur with the Young Men's Christian Association and St. Joseph's teams. In December, 1922, he identified himself with professional basketball, purchasing the strong Troy Basketball Association, one of the foremost professional teams in this part of the State, also the Troy franchise of the New York State League, of which he became president on January 1, 1923. During 1922 Mr. Ryan was also manager of the Reynolds Furniture Store Baseball Club of the Troy Clerks' League. Fraternally Mr. Ryan is identified with Troy Council, No. 176, Knights of Columbus, of which he is past deputy grand knight, and he is a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, also St. Peter's Lyceum.

Joseph P. Ryan married, on January 24, 1917, Mary A. McCarthy, of Troy, and they are the parents of two sons: John Peter, Jr., and James. Mr. Ryan has two brothers: Dennis and Samuel, who served throughout the period of the World War, and his wife's two brothers: Michael and James, also served throughout the war. The latter was first lieutenant in the United States Regular Army prior to the entering of the United States in the World War, and was promoted to captain of Company D, 105th Infantry Machine Gun Battalion, of the United States Army.

CHESTER ARTHUR HEMSTREET, M. D.—For the past seventeen years Dr. Hemstreet has been engaged in general and special practice in the city of Troy. As a specialist in diseases of the nose and throat he has had a long and successful experience and is also well known as a skillful general practitioner.

Dr. Hemstreet was born in Syracuse, New York, January 8, 1882, son of Adelbert, who was engaged in farming during the entire period of his active life, with the exception of the one year of his residence in Syracuse, and of Addie (Weaver) Hemstreet, both of whom are deceased. Dr. Hemstreet spent his childhood and youth on the farm and received his early and preparatory education under the direction of his mother, who was a teacher by profession. He then entered the State Normal School, at Albany, New York, and after his graduation from that institution in 1901, entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1905 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Upon the completion of his medical course he served an interneship of one year in the Saratoga Hospital, of Saratoga, New York, and then opened an office and engaged in general practice in the city of Troy. Later he made a special study of diseases of the nose and throat, and since 1915 has rendered efficient service as a member of the staff of Leonard Hospital, in Troy, and since 1919 he has been a member of the staff of the Samaritan Hospital, in Troy. In 1915 was appointed physician for the House of Industry, in Troy, and the duties of that position he has continued to discharge to the present time. His offices are located at No. 220 Fifth Avenue, Troy, where he has built up a very large practice. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Association, (president 1922) of the New York State Medical Society, and of the American Medical Association. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Grotto; and of the Masonic Club. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal Church of Troy. When Dr. Hemstreet requires rest and recreation in order that he may better meet the responsibilities of his profession, he goes on a hunting or fishing trip, or takes a trip. In travelling he finds diversion in new scenes and in association with new people of varied interests, and he comes back to his work with renewed energy and recuperated vital forces.

Chester Arthur Hemstreet married, on June 8, 1910, Constance Cuthberth, daughter of Thomas and Constance Cuthberth, and they are the parents of one son, Arthur Cuthberth, who was born June 16, 1912.

HENRY MEURS, former mayor of the city of Rensselaer, and the owner of Meurs hardware store in that city, also a most vigorous and energetic worker for the welfare and prosperity of all classes of the community. He was born at Netherlands, June 8, 1888, son of Simon and Marie Meurs. His parents moved to Albany, New York, while Mr. Meurs was still quite young, and he spent his boyhood and early youth in that city. He is one of a family of six children, his brothers and sisters being: Anna, Nellie, Cornelius, Simon, and Peter.

Mr. Meurs received his education in the public schools of Albany, and devoted a great deal of his time and attention to the study of commercial subjects and business methods. He was ambitions to succeed and to make a name for himself in the business world, but he was not at first able to decide upon a particular field of endeavor. Consequently, when he was elected secretary of the Plate Printers' Union shortly after his graduation from school, he decided to accept the office, realizing that the experience he gained in the performance of his official duties would be of great value to him in the future, whatever business activity he might choose to engage in. He met with great success in his work as secretary of this organization and continued to serve the Plate Printers' Union in that capacity until 1918, when he decided to avail himself of an opportunity to enter the employment of the Sherwin-Williams Paint Company as a salesman. He remained with this company until April, 1920, and during the two years of his association with it, had his attention drawn to the hardware business, which was destined to prove his best field of business activity. He saw an opening for a reliable and high-class dealer in hardware at Rensselaer and accordingly, in 1920, after careful consideration, decided to invest his capital in a business venture there. He resigned his position with the Sherwin-Williams Paint Company, greatly to the regret of his associates and employers, with whom his relations had always been of the most friendly nature. He came to Rensselaer in April of the same year and opened his present hardware establishment at once. His experience and training, although it had not been acquired in this particular field, was nevertheless such as to enable him to achieve a substantial success from the very beginning, and he is now regarded as one of the most progressive and influential members of the business community. His store is conveniently located, and he makes a specialty of the finest grades of hardware supplies of every description. His customers appreciate his readiness to give them prompt and efficient service, and he is always ready to supply their needs without delay, keeping an unusually complete stock of standard articles on hand and when necessary ordering an unusual or special article direct from the manufacturer with the least possible expenditure of time. His business bears the impress of his energetic and progressive character, and the yearly volume of sales is steadily increasing in a most gratifying manner.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Meurs has identified himself with the political life of the community since he came to Rensselaer. His unusual administrative ability and constructive political vision were

quickly recognized and he was elected alderman of the Ninth Ward shortly after his arrival in the city. He held this office for two terms and was then elected president of the Common Council, an office he likewise held for two terms. In 1920 he was elected mayor of the city, and held this office for two years. On Primary Day, September 18, 1923, he was successful in defeating his opponent for office of member of Assembly of the First District, and is the regular Republican candidate for this office at this time. He is always active in every movement which has for its object the improvement of social conditions, the advancement of trade, and the promotion of civic and individual prosperity. One of his most important reforms was the revision of the tax list of the city, which resulted in a much-needed lowering of tax rates and a natural increase in business prosperity. Another of Mr. Meurs' most important contributions to the public life of the community was the promotion of Forget-Me-Not Day, a tag day designed to help the disabled veterans of the World War. As a prominent merchant and a great believer in thrift and conservation, Mr. Meurs naturally deplores the great loss occasioned annually throughout the United States by preventable fires. He is active in advocating better fire protection for Rensselaer, and serves as a member of the J. Ring Fire Company. He is a member of the United Commercial Travelers of America; and belongs to Lodge No. 49, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Albany. He is a Mason and belongs to Greenbush Lodge No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian, and as a member of the First Presbyterian Church, at Rensselaer, he takes an active part in the work of that denomination.

Mr. Meurs married, at Rensselaer, on October 11, 1908, Janet Angeline Bout, daughter of Charles R. and Louise C. Bout. Mr. and Mrs. Meurs have two children: Edgar Henry, who was born October 12, 1910; Charlotte Louise, who was born June 15, 1915.

C. W. FERGUSON—Few business men in the city of Troy are better known than is C. W. Ferguson, president of the C. W. Ferguson Collar Company. Mr. Ferguson has been identified with the collar manufacturing industry since the beginning of his active career and is officially associated with several other concerns engaged in that line of manufacture, as well as with other important concerns engaged in other activities.

Mr. Ferguson was born in Troy, New York, June 29, 1873, and is a son of Nathan B. and Jeannette (Taylor) Ferguson, both deceased. He received a careful education in the public schools of Troy and began his connection with the collar manufacturing industry on February 28, 1888, as office boy, in the employ of Miller, Hall and Hartwell. He remained with that firm for a period of eight years, filling acceptably various positions until he severed his connection in 1896 to accept a position with the Troy & Cohoes Shirt Company, with whom he remained three years in charge of the collar and shirt department. Eleven years of continuous experience in Troy's most important manufacturing industry had well prepared him to venture into business for himself, and on May 1, 1899,

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he entered into partnership with E. H. Brown, under the firm name of E. H. Brown & Company, doing a small contracting business. In 1899 the name of the firm was changed to Brown, Ferguson & Company, when additional space was taken adjoining the original quarters, at No. 521 River street.

This business was continued until January 24, 1900, when Mr. Ferguson purchased the entire interest of E. H. Brown. On October 24, 1900, the business having outgrown its quarters, it was moved to the corner of First street and Second avenue. Soon after that the firm was incorporated under the name of the C. W. Ferguson Company. From that time on the business continued to grow very rapidly and on October 1, 1906, the capital stock was increased and a new corporation formed under the name of the C. W. Ferguson Collar Company. Shortly after this time, the business was moved to a new building at Nos. 383-393 Third avenue, North Troy. This change gave the firm about four times the space it had in its previous quarters, and the business has continued in a prosperous condition ever since. In addition to the successful conduct of his own flourishing enterprise, Mr. Ferguson is also connected with several other manufacturing and general business concerns. He is a member of the board of directors of the Manufacturers' National Bank, of the Lion Collars & Shirts, Inc., of the Wayside Telephone and Auto Service Company, and of the Flashwriter Company. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Association of Collar Manutacturers, and in that important official and executive position renders efficient service, keeping in close touch with the developments of the collar industry throughout the country. Locally he is vice-president of the board of directors of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and he takes an active part in all movements planned for the advancement of the public welfare in Troy. During the World War he was one of the most active in carrying his community "over the top" in all the Liberty Loan drives, and he has always been ready to give his earnest support to the various community activities.

Politically he is a Republican. He is a prominent member of the Masonic order, being affiliated with the Phoenix Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, being a life member of all the bodies. He is also a member of all the Scottish Rite bodies, including Delta Lodge of Perfection; Delta Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Delta Chapter, Rose Croix; and of the Albany Sovereign Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. In addition, he is a member of the Oriental Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine; and Iran Grotto. He is well-known in club circles, being a member of the Troy Club; a member, a director, and a former president of the Riverside Club; a member of the Westminster Club; a director of the Troy Boys' Club; and president of the Troy Rotary Club, having been elected in 1923 to serve until 1924. He is a member of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association, and his religious affiliation is with the Westminster Presbyterian Church, in which he serves as a member of the board of trustees and of the board of deacons.

Mr. Ferguson is well-known and most highly esteemed in the city of Troy, where his sterling qualities of character have won him a host of friends, not only among his business associates, but among those who are associated with him in other connections.

C. W. Ferguson married, on June 3, 1896, Harriet May Frost, daughter of James H. and Hannah R. (Russell) Frost, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Elisabeth Frost, who was born May 26, 1900, and received her education in the public schools, graduating from Lansingburg High School, and from the Bennett School, of Millbrook. 2. Clarence W., Jr., who was born October 30, 1902, receiving his early education in Lansingburg public schools, then graduating from the Lansingburg High School, from which he went to the Tome Preparatory School, at Port Deposit, New York, preparatory to entering Dartmouth College, whence he transferred to the University of Wisconsin, and expects to graduate with the class of 1926.

ARTHUR BERNARD LANPHIER—One of the young members of the legal profession in Rensselaer County, New York, is Arthur Barnard Lanphier, who for the past eight years has been successfully engaged in general practice and at the present time (1923) is located in Albany, New York.

Born in Rensselaer, New York, April 30, 1885, Mr. Lanphier is a son of Ambrose Lanphier, who has for many years been engaged as an employee of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company, and of Margaret (Birney) Lanphier, deceased. After receiving his elementary education in the local schools, Mr. Lanphier prepared for college in St. John's Academy, at Rensselaer, New York, from which institution he was graduated in 1907. He then became a student in Holy Cross, Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He was then ready to begin his professional studies, and in the fall of 1911 he entered Harvard Law School, where he completed the course in 1914, at which time he received the degree, Bachelor of Laws. Meantime, he had been pursuing a course of study in Boston College, and had received, in 1913, the degree of Master of Arts from that institution. He at once engaged in practice, and in May, 1915, was admitted to the New York State Bar. Since that time he has been continuously and successfully engaged in taking care of a large and steadily growing practice. The usual time of waiting for clients did not form any large portion of Mr. Lanphier's experience as he had, even before his admission to the bar, been occupied with legal work, which both enlarged his experience and aided financially. He has gained the confidence of his professional associates, as well as of his many clients, and has made a name for himself as a resourceful counsel and an effective advocate. At the present time his offices are located at Nos. 53-57 State Street, Albany, New York. He has taken an active interest in the legal side of the conduct of public affairs, and from 1919 to 1921 served as corporation counsel for the city of Rensselaer. He is also attorney for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of New York State. He has many friends both in Troy and in Rensselaer, as

well as in Albany, and along with his professional responsibilities finds time for fraternal and club affiliation. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and also is a member of the Elks Club and the Albany Club. His religious affiliation is with St. John's Church, of Rensselaer, New York.

RT. REV. MSGR. JOHN F. GLAVIN is the pastor of St. John's Church, Rensselaer. He is also the diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and editor and publisher of "The Evangelist."

Monsignor Glavin was born in Albany, March 7, 1869, the eldest son of John and Hannah (Moher) Glavin. Monsignor Glavin received his preliminary education at the Christian Brothers' Academy, Albany. When still a young lad he resolved to dedicate his life to the church. Their deeply religious spirit led his parents to give him every encouragement, and they joyfully made sacrifices that their son might realize his vocation. He began his classical studies at St. Charles' College, Ellicott City, Maryland, and was graduated in June, 1889. In the following September he entered St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, and took up the study of philosophy and theology and allied branches of sacred sciences. He was ordained to the holy priesthood in the chapel of the seminary on June 8, 1895. Two weeks later he was appointed assistant at St. John's Church, Rensselaer, where he has remained continuously since. In May, 1908, owing to the failing health of Monsignor Duffy, the pastor, he was made vice-rector. On January, 1918, Monsignor Duffy resigned and he was made irremovable rector of the parish.

While laboring ceaselessly for the material and spiritual welfare of the whole parish, Monsignor Glavin has devoted himself in a special manner to the little ones of his flock. The school has been his life work. Immediately after his coming to Rensselaer, the school was chartered by the Regents of the University of the State of New York, and St. John's Academy is now recognized as one of the foremost schools in the State. Realizing the need of preparing the children to take their places in the business world, Monsignor Glavin was the first educator in this section of the State to introduce a commercial course into an academic school. Through his efforts the present splendid school building was begun in 1901 and completed in 1903. The number of pupils is now 600, and they are taught by the Sisters of Mercy.

In January, 1916, Monsignor Glavin was appointed diocesan director of the foreign mission society known as the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. His duties are to establish branches in all the parishes and to collect dues and alms from the members for the support of Catholic missions. Realizing the power and influence exerted by a faithful press, Monsignor Glavin, while vice-rector of the parish had established a parish monthly called "The Evangelist," in honor of St. John the Evangelist, the patron of the church. On becoming the director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, he made "The Evangelist" the official organ of the society, and it now has a large circulation

throughout the diocese and beyond its borders. In appreciation of his services to the church and particularly of his labors for the success of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, Pope Benedict XV, on October 13, 1920, raised him to the rank of a domestic prelate with the title of monsignor. He was invested with the robes of his office by Bishop Gibbons, December 5, 1920.

While occupied with his manifold duties, Monsignor Glavin has always found time to devote himself to whatever would promote the social and civic welfare of the city of his adoption. He has served at various times on committees and boards, as trustee of the public library, director of the Red Cross Society, and the Tuberculosis Association, and during the World War he served on the Liberty Loan committee and especially as director-general of the War Chest.

DR. RAYMOND GOULDEN EDMANS was born in Troy, New York, July 16, 1871, son of Albert G. and Elizabeth (Goulden) Edmans, his father a wood turner, both parents now deceased. He attended the public schools of the city, but before reaching the age of seventeen he left school and in 1887 began learning the pattern-maker's trade. As soon as he became a wage earner he began saving money to be used in securing further educational advantages. He did preparatory school work at night, and in 1894 was able to enter Albany Medical College, now a part of Union University. He continued study there until graduated with the degree of Medical Doctor, class of 1898, then for a year was house physician to Marshall Sanitarium, Troy. In June, 1899, he began private medical practice in Lansingburg, New York, (now Troy) and a few months later the epidemic of smallpox began its course in Troy and vicinity that was not entirely subdued until four years later. During that period Dr. Edmans was in charge of the city hospital to which all smallpox patients were brought, an arduous post of duty he faithfully and most efficiently filled as long as the emergency existed. In 1903 he moved to his present location, No. 2223 Fifth avenue, Troy, and has there continued during the two decades that have since intervened. In addition to his large private practice Dr. Edmans is on the medical staff of Troy Hospital, and for two years was connected with the orthopedic department. He was also for a time in the X-ray department, but is now an assistant on the general medical staff. He served as deputy health officer for six years, during Mayor Mann's administration, 1906-1912. For seventeen years he has been medical examiner for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and for a number of years chief examiner in the Troy district for other life insurance companies, including the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Massachusetts; the Columbia National Life Insurance Company, of Massachusetts; Manhattan Life, of New York, and several mutual and fraternal associations.

Dr. Edmans is a member of the County Medical Society; Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Masonic Club; is a Republican in politics, and a member of the First Baptist Church.

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Dr. Edmans married, September 23, 1908, Amelia (Casey) La Madelin, a widow, having two sons by her first husband: William, and Philip, whom Dr. Edmans has reared as his own.

The quarter of a century that Dr. Edmans has practiced in Troy has brought many of the recompenses of a physician's life, not the least of which is the love, gratitude and respect of his many friends and neighbors.

HENRY C. WINDEKNECHT—As United States postmaster at Rensselaer, New York, Mr. Windeknecht has been associated with the post office for the past sixteen years, receiving his first appointment as carrier in 1907. He was born in Albany, New York, December 21, 1881, son of Henry and Barbara (Holler) Windeknecht. While he was still a boy his parents moved to Rensselaer and he has been a resident of that city ever since.

Henry C. Windeknecht received his education in the public schools of Rensselaer, and after his graduation from the grammar grades proceeded to the Rensselaer High School, where he completed the full four years' course, graduating in 1897. When his school days were over Mr. Windeknecht was somewhat undecided as to the best field of business activity to which to devote his talents. He was offered a position with the "Rensselaer County Herald" however, and accepted it, believing that the connection would be agreeable and that he would thus acquire valuable experience, even though he might later enter some other occupation. In this opinion he was entirely correct. He remained with the paper for three years and his relations with the officers of the company were always extremely satisfactory. His future in the newspaper business would have been secure and prosperous, but during his association with the Rensselaer county "Herald" his attention was drawn to the work of a machinist. He had a natural aptitude for mechanical work and finally decided to enter the service of the General Electric Company, at Schenectady, and later of the Boston & Albany railroad, to become an expert machinist. He therefore resigned his position with the "Herald" to the regret of all his associates, and entered the General Electric shops, at Schenectady. He found the work in the shops agreeable and interesting and made rapid progress, soon acquiring an unusual knowledge of all the details of repairing and maintaining the various machines in a state of efficiency. His endeavors and successes in the mechanical line were suddenly terminated by an accident, on March 12, 1907, and on July 1, 1907, he was appointed carrier, serving until 1918, when he was appointed assistant United States postmaster at Rensselaer. In order to accept this position he left the railroad and has since devoted himself entirely to government postal service. He threw himself into his work as assistant postmaster with the greates energy and enthusiasm, and found it an ideal occupation. He made a study of postal service and its development, especially in the United States. His fidelity and devotion to his duties and the extent of his knowledge of

the postal system brought him general recognition, and finally, on May 1, 1922, he was appointed United States postmaster by President Harding. This office he still holds, and he maintains the utmost efficiency and care in every department of the post office at Rensselaer. His services to the community are deeply appreciated by his fellow-citizens, and he is everywhere regarded as one of the most capable and self-sacrificing men who have held this Federal office at Rensselaer. He is a very active member of the National Association of Postmasters.

In politics Mr. Windeknecht is a staunch Republican. He is a vigorous supported of the policies of his party, and believes in progressive legislation, designed to increase and to promote public welfare and prosperity. Mr. Windeknecht is a member of the fire department and has served for the past eight years as president of the J. N. Ring Fire Company. A great believer in conservation and the prevention of losses to life and property occasioned by fire, Mr. Windeknecht has been tireless in his efforts to promote the strength and efficiency of the fire department, and has been a leader in the securing of additional and adequate equipment and proper fire inspection, especially for schools and hospitals, where children and the sick would be in serious danger in case of fire. He was the principal promoter of the "old home week" celebration, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the J. N. Ring Fire Company, which occurred May 15, 1922, and was attended by a record gathering. He is one of the most active members of the local board of trade, and is enrolled on all the important committees. In religious faith Mr. Windeknecht is a Presbyterian. He is a Mason and holds membership in the Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons; Greenbush Chapter, No. 274, Royal Arch Masons; Temple Commandery, No. 2, Knights Templar; and Cypress Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Windeknecht takes the greatest interest in all Masonic activities and gatherings.

Mr. Windeknecht is unmarried.

BERTRAM P. KAVANAGH, son of Patrick and Margaret (Richards) Kavanagh, was born at Catskill, New York, July 4, 1891. He was left fatherless when an infant, and during his first year of life he was brought by his mother to Troy, which city has ever since been his home. He was educated in St. Joseph's Academy, La Salle Institute (graduate, class of 1908), and Albany Law School (Union University), whence he was graduated LL. B., class of 1914. He served his clerkship in the office of J. V. Coffey, and the same year began practice independently. In 1914 he was appointed clerk of the City Court, in Troy. He is now serving his fourth term (but not consecutive) as corporation counsel for Green Island, New York.

Mr. Kavanagh is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; the Laureate Boat Club (past secretary); Green Island Council, Knights of Columbus; Our Lady of Victory Roman Catholic Church; and in politics is a Democrat. He is fond of out-of-door recreations, and in earlier years baseball was his favorite game.

Mr. Kavanagh married, June 9, 1919, Gertrude V. McDermott, daughter of Charles and Margaret McDermott, of Green Island. Mr. and Mrs. Kavanagh are the parents of one daughter, Constance.

JOHN HENRY BRODERICK, in legal circles in Troy, New York, is a noteworthy figure and although one of the younger men in the professional world of Rensselaer county, he has attained high rank and is numbered among the successful men of the day. A member of a family long identified with the progress of this section, he is a son of Joseph H. and Mary (Conway) Broderick, the father for many years a leading cigar manufacturer of Troy.

John Henry Broderick was born at Troy, New York, February 19, 1886. His education was begun in the local schools and he was graduated from St. Peter's Academy in 1902. Next followed his attendance at Bett's Academy, at Stamford, Connecticut, and his graduation in 1904. He then entered Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and two years later he received his Bachelor's degree in the law from the Harvard University Law School. Shortly following his graduation from Harvard Law School Mr. Broderick became identified with the well-known Troy law firm of Shaw, Bailey & Murphy, entering their office in July, 1910, and continuing with Murphy, Aldrich & Guy, successors of said firm. He has since been in active practice in this connection, and became a member of the firm of Murphy, Aldrich & Guy on January 1, 1922. Mr. Broderick has been largely successful, and has still many years of usefulness and prosperity before him. A Democrat by political affiliation, he gives loyal support to the party in its activities and progress, but has thus far declined the responsibilities of honor and office. He is assistant attorney of the Pioneer Building Loan & Savings Association of Troy. He is a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church of Troy.

Mr. Broderick married, on June 21, 1913, Helen T. McKenna, daughter of Dr. James T. and Rose (Duffy) McKenna.

EDGAR ROWE—Widely and favorably known not only in his residence village of Nassau, New York, but throughout an extensive adjacent district, Edgar Rowe is counted as one of the alert and progressive insurance executives of Rensselaer county, and his influence is always cast on the side of advance in every field of endeavor. His interests are varied and his activities are those of the man whose life is well-rounded and whose attitude is one of forward and upward purpose. Mr. Rowe is a son of John L. and Cornelia (Bink) Rowe, both representatives of families that have been resident landowners of Rensselaer county for generations. The father is engaged in agricultural pursuits and has devoted the entire course of his active career to the scientific care and cultivation of his land. The children of these parents number ten, nine now living, as follows: Abraham, Lydia, Carrie, Libby, Schuyler, Zachariah, Lydia, who died in November, 1921; Burton; Edgar, of further mention; and Ada.

Edgar Rowe was born in Nassau township, New York, and is thus a native son of Rensselaer county. His education was received in the public schools of his native township, and upon the completion of his studies he became associated with his father in the care of the homestead farm. After about three years of activity along agricultural lines however, the young man decided to ally himself with a more congenial line of endeavor. Gifted with definite ability and practical aptitude for business, he found no difficulty in exchanging his services for a living wage, and almost immediately formed a connection with the Gorgen & Grubb Piano Action Manufacturing Company, at Bunker Hill, New York. He remained with that concern until the disastrous fire which completely destroyed the plant. When the company reopened for business in their new factory at Nassau, under the name of Grubb & Kosegarten, which they still occupy, Mr. Rowe continued with the enterprise. Rising from one position to another in their employ, each of greater responsibility, he was active in association with the Grubb & Kosegarten interests until the year 1912, when he resigned to enter his present field of business advance. Since that date he has done a constantly increasing business in the sale and brokerage of insurance, representing in Nassau not only several of the old line companies, and giving the community the benefit of the many new forms of protection which have been devised to meet the complexities of modern existence and comprise one of the most important and vital phases of economic security to-day. Although Mr. Rowe began in this field on a moderate scale, his efforts have won him large and ever increasing success, and he is now considered one of the broadly influential men of Rensselaer County.

A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Rowe has long taken an active interest in local affairs. His energy and business ability were recognized some years ago by the party leaders of Nassau, and in the year 1912 he was elected township and village clerk of Nassau, taking up the duties of this office with the beginning of the year 1913. Subsequent reëlections returned him to the same office in the years 1917, 1921-22, and he is still clerk of the village of Nassau. Mr. Rowe is a leading figure in the Agricultural and Liberal Art Society of Nassau, of which he is now (1923) treasurer, and he is a convincing advocate of the application of aesthetic standards to modern life. He is a member of Gratitude Lodge, No. 674, Free and Accepted Masons, with which he has been identified since his youth, and which he now serves as secretary. He is also affiliated with Tsatsawassa Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and holds numerous other fraternal and social connections. The local benevolences receive a share of his interest and aid, and he serves as superintendent of the Nassau Cemetery, having charge of the business management thereof. In fact there is no branch of community interest or advance in which he does not bear a constructive part.

DR. CHARLES W. GEEL, one of the successful men of the medical profession in Rensselaer county, New York, has been engaged in general practice in Berlin, New York, for nearly forty years. He is widely

known and highly esteemed as a skillful practitioner and a faithful physician, and has a host of personal friends.

Born in the Province of Guilderland, Holland, August 16, 1849, Dr. Geel is one of the two sons of William and Johanna (Klomps) Geel, natives of Holland, the other son being John, who is deceased. Dr. Geel received his early education in the public schools of his native district and then became a student in the State Normal School for Pedagogy. After the completion of his course in the Normal School, he taught for a period of two years in Holland, and then decided to try his fortune in America. He came to Albany, New York, in 1869, and after graduating from the Albany Normal College, secured a position as teacher in the public schools of Berlin, New York. For nine years he discharged the duties of that position, winning the approbation of the school directors and of the public, as well as the love and esteem of his pupils. At the end of that time he decided to enter the medical profession and became a student in the Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1885, receiving at that time the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He at once opened an office in Berlin, and since that time has been continuously and successfully engaged in general practice there. He has built up a very large clientele and is widely known for his devotion to the interest of his patients and for his "fighting quality" when handling serious and critical cases. Battles against the grim destroyer have been won by the sheer pluck and fighting spirit of Dr. Geel. Along with his professional responsibilities and activities, Dr. Geel has found time for public service of a political nature and for at least one financial connection.

He is a member of the board of directors of the Tacomic Valley National Bank Politically he gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party, and he has served his district as supervisor of Berlin, and as a member of the county board of supervisors, filling the latter office for two years. He is a member of the County Medical Society, and of the New York State Medical Society.

Dr. Charles W. Geel married, on November 25, 1875, at Berlin, New York, Luan Stillman, daughter of William and Serapta Stillman, and they are the parents of one daughter, Grace, who was born in Berlin, New York, and who was married to Samuel E. Hewitt, of Schuylerville, New York.

C. FRED SCHWARZ—One of the able men of the legal profession who has rendered valuable service in the New York State Legislature is C. Fred Schwarz, who was admitted to the bar in 1911, and who since that time has been engaged in general practice in the city of Troy. His offices are located at No. 56 Fourth street, in Troy.

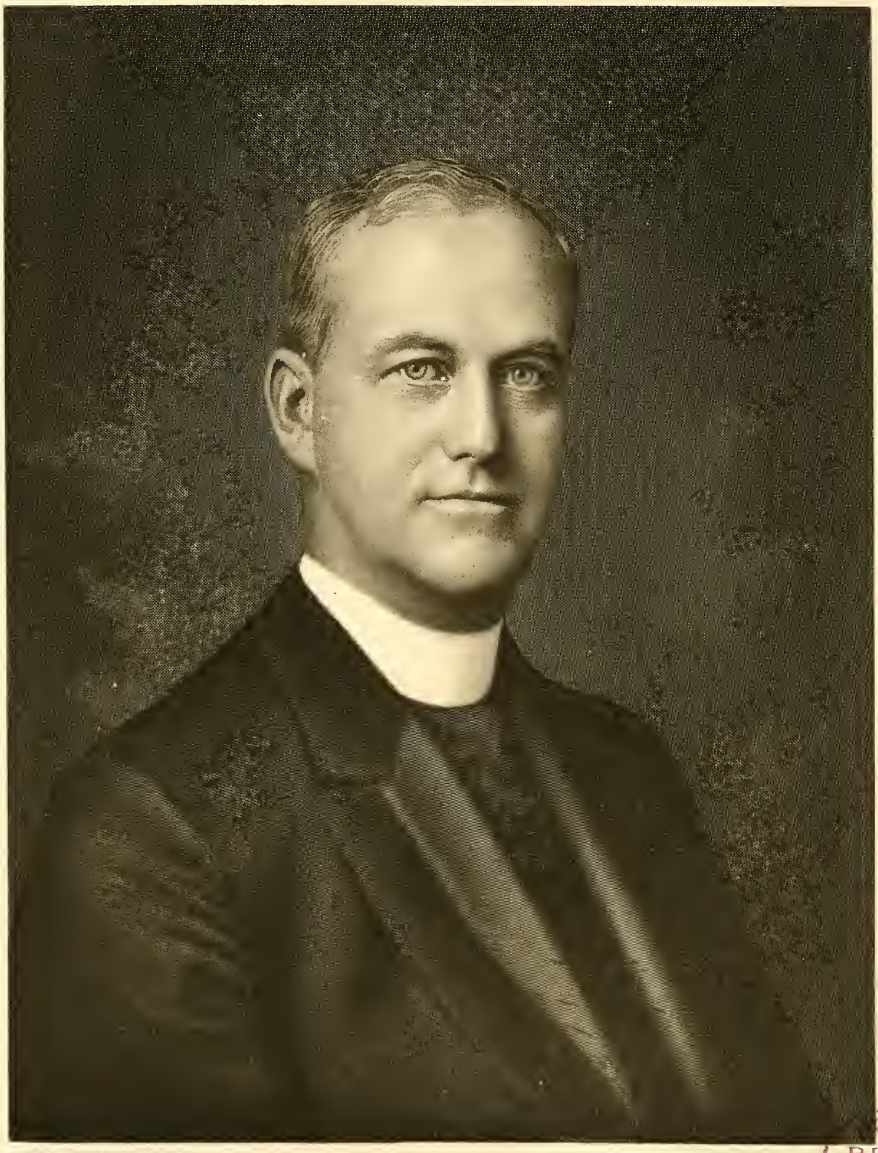
Mr. Schwarz was born in Troy, New York, February 14, 1880, son of Martin J. Schwarz, who was engaged in business as a cigar manufacturer to the time of his death, and of Josephine Marie (Bode) Schwarz, who is now living in Troy. He received his early education in the public schools of the Third Ward of Troy, and then prepared for college in

La Salle Academy. When his preparatory course was completed he entered the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He then served a clerkship in the law office of Charles W. Marshall, of Troy, and in October, 1911, was admitted to the New York State bar. He at once opened offices in Troy and since that time, when not devoting his time and energy to the duties of public office, has been engaged in general practice there, building up a large and lucrative practice. At the beginning of his professional career, however, he became deeply interested in political affairs. He is a staunch supporter of the principles of the Democratic party, and in 1911, immediately after his admission to the bar, he was elected to represent his district in the New York State Assembly. Upon the expiration of his first term he was reëlected, and during the three terms of his incumbency, 1912 to 1914, he was an active member of various important committees. He served as chairman of the revision committee, as vice-chairman of the codes committee during the third term, and as ranking Democrat on the codes committee in 1913, and was a member of the committee on canals, vice-chairman of the committee on forestry, fish and game, and member of several other important groups. Since he was elected from a county in which the Republicans are in the majority, his successful campaign and notably efficient service in the State Legislature made him the logical Democratic candidate for district attorney in November, 1922. Along with his interest in public affairs, Mr. Schwarz has made for himself an enviable reputation as a general practitioner, and has built up a large and important clientele. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and fraternally is affiliated with the Delta Chi Phi college fraternity, and with Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He finds healthful recreation in hunting and fishing, and is highly esteemed among a very large group of personal friends and professional associates.

On January 12, 1913, at Troy, New York, C. Fred Schwarz married Katherine Fox, of Geneva, New York, daughter of Joseph and Katherine Fox, and they are the parents of one child, C. Fred, Jr., who was born in Troy, April 27, 1914.

ADELBERT D. MANCHESTER—Most men are content with success in one line of business activity and there are few who find it possible to succeed in two widely different business enterprises. Adelbert D. Manchester is one of the few who is able and versatile enough to so thoroughly succeed in the exacting business of buying and selling cattle that he has come to be recognized as an authority on cattle "points," and at the same time successfully conduct a prosperous general store.

The Manchester family is one of the pioneer families of Rensselaer county, and the Manchester homestead, which is situated on the Berlin road, was built while that section was a wilderness through which wolves and bears roamed at will and through which the Indian pursued his game. The homestead is the oldest in the county, and both Adelbert, Sr., and Margaret (Millard) Manchester, parents of Adelbert D., knew the hardships and the joys of pioneer farming in Rensselaer county.



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Adelbert D. Manchester was born in Petersburg, New York, May 30, 1891, and received a good practical education in the local schools. As a small boy he assisted his father on the homestead farm, and when his school training was completed remained on the farm until May, 1916, when he established a business of his own in Petersburg, New York. He is an expert in the evaluation of cattle, and in Petersburg he engaged in the buying and selling of cattle. That business he has continued to the present time, and he is recognized as an authority on cattle. His advice is sought by those in every part of the county who are contemplating the purchase of new live stock, and in the trade he is known as one of the keenest appraisers in the State. In addition to his success as a cattle dealer in Petersburg, Mr. Manchester is now the proprietor of a thriving general store in Berlin, New York, which he established in 1921, since which date he has been conducting both enterprises with marked success.

Politically he gives his support to the principles and candidates of the Democratic party and always takes an active interest in its affairs, though he has never sought public office. Mr. Manchester is unmarried. He resides in Berlin, New York.

REV. LEO GERALD O'HAIRE—In the work of the church in Rensselaer county, New York, Rev. Father O'Haire has for many years been a noteworthy figure, and his present activities as pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart, at Troy, New York, are doing much, not only for the parish and its people, but for the dignity and honor of the church in the community, and for the advancement of the general good. Devoted to his work, and gifted with the large administrative ability which counts so definitely for the welfare and progress of the parish, he is indeed a leader of the people and an apostle of the church.

Father O'Haire was born at Watervliet, New York, and is a son of Sylvester and Sarah (Cleary) O'Haire, of that community. He first attended St. Bridget's School, (Watervliet Academy), after which he entered St. Andrew's College, at Rochester, New York, from which he was graduated in due course. It was with the apostolic spirit so evident throughout his career that he entered St. Bernard's Seminary, in Rochester, from which he was graduated in the class of 1902. Ordained in the same year, his first appointment was as assistant at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy, the duties of which position he took up in June of that year. He had remarkable success in boy work and planned and built St. Joseph's Camp, at Crooked Lake, New York. He remained as assistant at St. Joseph's until the year 1913, when he was appointed pastor of St. Patrick's Church, at Cohoes, New York. His work in that parish led the congregation through a period of spiritual and material progress covering about nine years, the most important of his material achievements being the building of the convent for the Sisters of Mercy, the enlarging of the school and rectory, and the erection of the Church of St. Leo's, a summer mission of St. Patrick's parish,

and Dunsbach Ferry, in 1915. In April, 1922, he was appointed to his present pastorate, the Sacred Hearth Church, of Troy. Taking up his duties here immediately, Father O'Haire found the great need of the people to be a new church edifice, and he plunged at once into the work of raising funds for its erection. The new church is already in course of construction, although Father O'Haire has not yet been with this people for a year. Its beautiful design and stately, massive form reveal to the world a fitting house of worship for this prosperous and progressive congregation, and inspire the people of the parish to loftier attainments in the spiritual life. A new parochial school, rectory and convent, in keeping with the beauty of the church, are also in course of erection, and with the beautifying of the grounds contemplated by Father O'Haire when the construction operations are completed, the property of the Sacred Heart Parish will be counted among the finest of the church properties of Rensselaer county.

ELBERT N. VAN BUREN—For nearly a quarter of a century Elbert N. Van Buren, of Schaghticoke, New York, has been engaged in the retail drug business, and since 1914 he has been owner and manager of the pharmacy which he still conducts in Schaghticoke. He is one of the well known citizens of the county, and is one of the notably successful business men of the community in which he lives.

Born in Greenbush, Rensselaer county, New York, June 4, 1873, Mr. Van Buren is a son of John S. and Mary (Slater) Van Buren. He attended the public school of his native district, and then entered the pharmaceutical department of Albany College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1896. Upon the completion of his pharmaceutical course he found his first employment with the Hudson Drug Company, of New York, with whom he remained until 1900. In that year he removed to Cohoes, New York, remaining there for fifteen years, then, in 1915, went to Schaghticoke. In that year he purchased Mr. Richard's pharmacy, and from that time to the present (1923) he has been steadily expanding the business. His patronage is drawn from all parts of Schaghticoke, and from the greater part of the township as well, Mr. Van Buren is well known as one of the most reliable and efficient druggists of that locality. Politically Mr. Van Buren takes an active part in the work of the Republican party. He has always been interested in the public school system, and for several years served as treasurer of the school board at Schaghticoke, and also as treasurer of the village. He is a progressive and public-spirited citizen, and during his term of service on the school board he won the high esteem of his associates by his intelligent and disinterested work. Fraternally he is affiliated with Cohoes Lodge, No. 116, Free and Accepted Masons, and his religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church.

In Hudson, New York, June 6, 1897, Elbert N. Van Buren married Mary O. Leonard, daughter of Francis E. and Mary (Stewart) Leonard. Mr. and Mrs. Van Buren are the parents of two sons: 1. Francis, who upon the entrance of the United States in the World War enlisted in

the 105th Machine Gun Company, and from Camp Spartanburg was sent to France. After taking part in several major engagements and being promoted to the rank of sergeant, he died in France, October 26, 1919, of pneumonia. 2. John E.

BIERCE BAILEY, A. B., LL. B.—In legal circles in Rensselaer county, New York, Mr. Bailey holds a leading position as a member of the law firm of Murphy, Aldrich & Guy, a widely noted group of progressive men of Troy. Mr. Bailey is a native of Massachusetts, and a member of a family long prominent in various branches of commercial, professional and industrial activities, his father, Herbert D. Bailey, who is now deceased, having been one of the foremost lawyers of his day in the city of Troy. The mother, Grace (Galusha) Bailey, is also now deceased.

Bierce Bailey was born at Williamstown, Massachusetts, July 20, 1887, and his early education was acquired in the local schools. After his elementary and intermediate studies were covered in grammar schools Nos. 16 and 17, he entered Troy High School, from which he was graduated in 1906, then covered his course in the arts and letters at Williams College, at Williamstown, Massachusetts, receiving his Bachelor's degree in arts upon his graduation in the class of 1910. His choice of a profession early determined, he entered Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1912, receiving his Bachelor's degree in the law. Serving a clerkship in the offices of the same firm of which he is now a partner, Mr. Bailey was admitted to the bar in 1913, and has practiced with the firm of Murphy, Aldrich & Guy continuously since, becoming a member of the firm in 1921. Mr. Bailey has won an assured position in his chosen field of professional endeavor. His attitude toward all progress is that of the alert, forward-looking citizen, and while he has thus far taken no leading part in public affairs, he gives cordial support to all advance movements. He is an independent voter. A member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, Mr. Bailey is affiliated with the Phi Gamma Delta and the Phi Delta Phi fraternities. His chief relaxation he finds on his extensive farm, where he resides, and where he conducts active operations along diversified lines.

CHARLES F. KIVLIN, M. D.—In the professional circles in Troy, New York, Dr. Kivlin holds a very prominent position, and in connection with his private practice is a leading figure in institutional work. He has for twenty-four years been active in practice in Troy, and during the greater part of that time has done surgical work only.

Dr. Charles F. Kivlin was born at Valatie, New York, March 2, 1876. His education was begun in the public schools of Valatie, and following the completion of his course at Valatie High School, he entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1898, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He spent one year as interne in Cohoes Hospital and two years in the Troy Hospital, then went to New York City, where he took a post-graduate course in surgery. In 1899 he opened his

office in Troy, and his success in surgery soon placed him in a position where he could spare no time for medical work, and he has since devoted himself exclusively to surgery. He now serves on the surgical staff of the Troy Hospital and St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. Fraternally he is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Laureate Boat Club, and of the Young Men's Christian Association. During the World War he served as surgeon in a base hospital. His religious affiliation is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, and he is a member of St. Peter's Lyceum and the Holy Name Society, both connected with that church. After the war he served the United States Public Health Service as an acting assistant surgeon at Troy, also surgeon at Troy for the Veterans' Bureau up to October 1, 1921. He is now surgeon-in-charge in the United States Employees' Compensation Commission for Troy and surrounding cities.

Dr. Charles F. Kivlin married Mary Carey Hughes.

FREDERICK B. CASTLE—The management of a hotel might be considered sufficiently taxing on one's time and thought to make additional business obligations seem unattractive, but not so with Mr. Castle. Upon his father's death he became the owner of an historic hostlery at Schodack Landing, New York, which had its origin in Revolutionary War time and has sheltered many notable people, yet with all that such a business entails, he has added the supervision of a retail mercantile establishment.

Frederick B. Castle was born at Schodack Landing, New York, December 31, 1895, and is a son of William S. and Anna (Radloff) Castle, the former of whom died April 4, 1916. Frederick B. Castle was educated in the local district school and thereafter was employed in his father's hotel. He has remained a resident of his native place since birth, and now maintains the two businesses as indicated above.

Although a Republican in politics, he has never entered the ranks of office seekers, preferring the less spectacular role of quietly supporting party principles. His war record began with enlistment on August 27, 1918, at Camp Gordon in Company A, 161st Infantry, and six weeks later he sailed for France and was transferred to the 41st Division, with which he served nine months in France, as a private, being honorably discharged from service on May 23, 1919. He is a member of Castleton Lodge, No. 46, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His church membership is with the Dutch Reformed.

Mr. Castle was united in marriage on September 12, 1913, at Castleton, New York, with Marie Catherine Gross, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Gross.

REV. HERMAN BAILLARGEON—In the dual capacity of pastor and superintendent, Father Baillargeon served the Church of St.

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Jean the Baptiste and St. Jean Parochial School of Troy, New York, with an earnestness, zeal and ability that has brought results most gratifying.

Herman Baillargeon, son of Joseph and Amelia (Bazin) Baillargeon, was born at Quebec, Canada, June 23, 1879, and attended a private school there until his family moved to Cohoes, New York, in 1886. He then became a student at St. Joseph's Academy, later entering Levis College, at Quebec, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898. Later he took two years of special work at Montreal, Canada, before entering Leval University to pursue his theological training. He was called to Albany, New York, for ordination ceremonies and engaged there as chaplain of St. Peter's Hospital for one year thereafter. At the end of that time he was appointed assistant pastor of St. Jean the Baptiste Roman Catholic Church, in Troy, and in June, 1905, became pastor of St. Ann's Church of Cohoes, New York. He came to the pastorate of St. Jean the Baptiste, November 5, 1915, and at the same time, assumed charge of the St. Jean Parochial School, of which he was superintendent. That school has in attendance, one hundred and thirty pupils, taught by four Sisters of the Order of St. Joseph, the curriculum covering the usual courses to the eighth grade.

In September, 1923, Father Baillargeon, after eight years of devoted service, was called from his work at St. Jean's and assigned to the pastorate of Notre Dame Church, at Whitehall, New York. The "Troy Times" in its issue of September 28, 1923, thus comments upon the appointment and the work done by Father Baillargeon for St. Jean's:

> Rev. Herman Baillargeon, for the last eight years pastor of St. Jean Baptiste Church, to-day assumed his new duties as pastor of Notre Dame Church, Whitehall, New York, but the farewell reception he was tendered last night by his parishioners at St. Jean Baptiste Hall will serve to always keep in mind the members of St. Jean's congregation. The entire congregation turned out last night at the parish hall and Joseph L. Belanger on behalf of the people of St. Jean's, in a brief address, conveyed the feelings of the congregation on the departure of their beloved pastor, and at the conclusion presented Father Baillargeon with a purse of $600.
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> In addition to the purse given by the congregation, Father Baillargeon was presented with a purse of $150 by the Alumni Association of St. Jean Baptiste School and another purse of $20 contributed by the school children. Benoit Spenard presented the alumni purse. When Father Baillargeon came to the local church eight years ago a debt of $45,000 was on the church property. Soon with characteristic energy, he set about to remove the debt and through his efforts and leadership $18,000 was raised for this purpose, leaving the present debt $27,000.
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> Father Baillargeon in thanking his people for their gifts, expressed a feeling of gratitude on the hearty coöperation of his parishioners, stated that he had hoped to pay off the debt on the first Sunday of November, 1928, which date marks the sixtieth anniversary of the establishment of the parish, and now that he has been assigned to a new charge, he expressed the hope that he would be present on that date and said he felt that his plans would be carried out. He urged the congregation to extend to the new pastor, Rev. Paul LeDuc who comes from St. Joseph's Church, Cohoes, the same coöperation that had been extended to him in the past.

CHARLES W. MARSHALL was born in Troy, New York, February 9, 1881, son of Edwin T. and Ada (Lohnes) Marshall, his father a coal dealer of Troy for many years, but now practically retired from all business. Both Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Marshall are residents of Troy.

Charles W. Marshall first attended Troy Public School No. 2, going thence to Troy Academy, where he finished his course with graduation, class of 1898. He began his legal study in the office of Abbott H. Jones, of the Troy bar, and later he entered Albany Law School, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1904. He returned to his association with Mr. Jones after graduation, and in 1905 was admitted to the bar of Rensselaer county. He began private practice in 1905 in Troy, and there continues well established in the confidence of a large clientele. He was clerk of the City Court from 1909 to 1915, but otherwise he has continued in private practice only. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; is a member of Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Delta Chi fraternity, of Union University; the Exempt Firemen's Association; Volunteer Firemen's Association, having in earlier years held all the offices of Arba Read Steamer Company, with which he served as a volunteer for twelve years, as president, vice-president, assistant captain, and captain. He is a member of the Laureate Boat Club, was manager of the football team, and took an active part in the Young Men's Christian Association. His latter day recreations are hunting and fishing.

Mr. Marshall married, June 15, 1910, Bertha M. Pike, of Watervliet, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall are the parents of two children: Edwin Hayward, and Alva Minto.

EDWARD M. BROWN—Among the well known and highly esteemed citizens of Petersburg, New York, is Edward M. Brown, who has long been active in business and political affairs in Rensselaer county, and who is now custodian of the jail in his native city.

Born in Petersburg, New York, January 5, 1877, Mr. Brown attended the public schools of Petersburg, and then continued his studies in the Teachers' Training Class, at Hoosick Falls, New York, from which he was graduated in 1899. After following the profession of teaching for six years he decided to enter business life, and secured a position as bookkeeper in the Never Break Comb Company, of Petersburg, New York. That connection he maintained until he received an appointment as committee clerk of the New York State Senate. That important clerical position he held for six years, discharging the duties connected therewith, with notable efficiency. He was then appointed assistant jailer of the Rensselaer county jail in Troy, and about two years later was made jailer of that institution, a position which he has continued to hold to the present time (1923). Mr. Brown has always been actively interested in the affairs of the Republican party, and has held several local public offices. He served as town clerk for seven years, as assessor for four years, and as justice of the peace for eight years in the town of Petersburg, New York, and the last position he still holds, having been reëlected for the present term, which ends in 1925. He has also served as clerk of the Board of Education of Petersburg for one year, and as trustee of the school district for six years. He is very

prominent in the activities of the Masonic order and of its sister organization, the Eastern Star, holding membership in Star Lodge, No. 670, of Petersburg, in which he has served as junior deacon for one year, senior warden for two years, master, three terms, aggregating five years; senior deacon for six years, and secretary for one year, and a trustee for fifteen years. He is a member of Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Troy, New York; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In all of these bodies, excepting the Shrine, Mr. Brown is a life-member. He is also a member of Berkshire Star Chapter, No. 500, Order of the Eastern Star, which organization he has served as chaplain for one year, and as worthy patron for nine years. He is also a member of the Maccabees, Taconic Tent of Petersburg, and a member of the Rensselaer County Republican Club. His religious interest is with the Methodist church, of which he is an attendant.

On June 15, 1913, at Petersburg, New York, Edward M. Brown married Eva Simon, of Petersburg, daughter of John and Addie (Stowell) Simon. Mr. and Mrs. Brown reside at Petersburg, New York.

MAJOR ALSON J. HULL—One of the distinguished members of the medical profession in Troy, New York, is Major Alson J. Hull, who during the World War received honors from foreign countries as well as the United States. He is engaged in practice as a physician, with offices at No. 2169 Fifth avenue, and is a member of the staffs of the Samaritan and Leonard Hospitals in Troy.

Dr. Hull is a son of Dr. John B. Hull, a graduate of Albany Medical College, who is engaged in general practice in Williamstown, Massachusetts, and of Sarah (Allen) Hull, both of whom are now living in Williamstown. Born in Berlin, Rensselaer county, New York, January 19, 1891, Major Hull removed to Williamstown, Massachusetts, with his parents when he was a small child, and received his grammar and high school education in the public schools of that place. When his high school course was completed he became a student in Culver Military Academy, in Culver, Indiana, and when his preparatory education was completed, matriculated in Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1913, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. After serving as interne in the Samaritan Hospital of Troy for one year, he further prepared himself for his professional career by one year of post-graduate study in New York City, and then, in 1915, engaged in practice in Troy. He was made a member of the surgical staff of the Samaritan Hospital in the course of that same year, and with the exception of the period of his military service, has continued to discharge the duties of that position to the present time (1923).

Soon after the outbreak of the World War and before the United States entered the conflict, Dr. Hull enlisted for service and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the 2nd Regiment. Later he was transferred to the 23rd Regiment, of Brooklyn, New York,

with which unit he was sent to the Mexican border. For five months he served there, and at the end of that time received his honorable discharge. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War he reënlisted in the Federal Service, June 10, 1917, and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States army. From June, 1917, to August of the same year, he received intensive training in the Army Medical School, and at the end of that time was one of the 270 army surgeons chosen for overseas service on the British front. On the British front lines he served for one year, taking part in the battle of the Somme, River Lys, in the battle of Mount Kimmel, and the battle of the Aisne, in which he was gassed and wounded. In June, 1918, he was transferred to the American Army, and with the American forces he participated in three general engagements—the Meuse-Argonne, Champagne, and the Aisne. He was then assigned to Evacuation Hospital No. 110, where he served until January, 1919, when he was relieved. He received his discharge May 12, 1919. The quality of Dr. Hull's service is evidenced by the fact that during the less than two years of his term of service he was awarded eight medals, receiving among others the British Military Cross, the United States Distinguished Service Cross, and the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross. In February, 1920, he was commissioned a major in the 105th New York State Federalized Guard, and that military rank he holds at the present time (1923). Dr. Hull has recently returned from a course of post-graduate study in Vienna, Austria, and during the time he was abroad for that purpose he visited the battlefields on which he participated in action during the war. He is a member of the American Medical Association of Vienna, Austria; of the New York State Medical Society; and of the Rensselaer County Medical Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with Williams Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Williamstown, Massachusetts; and he is serving as a member of the surgical staff of both the Samaritan and Leonard Hospitals of Troy. At the present time his recreation is mostly work, but in his college days he was interested in athletics.

Major Hull married, April 9, 1919, Fannie Niles, of Berlin, New York, daughter of Arthur C. and Margaret (Barrett) Niles, and they are the parents of one child, Margaret Allison Hull.

HENRY DORING—One of the oldest and most interesting institutions in the city of Troy, New York, is the Doring School of Dancing, of which Professor Henry Doring is the founder and still the head. This school is the oldest of its kind in the United States outside of New York City conducted under the same name, and Professor Doring, an artist himself, has graduated many artists from his school who have taken leading places in the world of entertainment. Professor Doring has been a resident of Troy during the greater part of his lifetime, and is a son of Joseph and Caroline (Nolte) Doring, who came to this city in 1864 from their native Germany. The father was a locksmith and machinist by occupation, and for many years was a highly esteemed citizen of Troy.

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Professor Doring was born in Hanover, Germany, and was eight years of age when he came to Troy with his parents. His education, which had been begun in Germany, was continued in the Tenth Ward School of Troy, and while still a young man he learned the trade of coppersmith. He followed this occupation for a few years, but eventually the interests of his leisure determined the trend of his professional activity. From childhood he displayed marked musical talent, and in 1875 he became identified with Maschke's Band in the capacity of prompter or caller for dances. He is now the only surviving member of this band. His activity in this conection brought to his attention the possibilities of success in the art of the dancing master, and to prepare himself for the highest usefulness in the work he entered upon a course of training in the foremost schools of the day. He was graduated successively from the Charles H. Rivers School of Dancing, in Brooklyn, New York; the James C. Brooks School, also of Brooklyn; the L. H. Challif School, of New York City, and the Allen Dodworth School of New York. This rarely comprehensive training under some of the greatest masters of the day who had studied both at home and abroad gave to the work of Professor Doring the finished perfection of the artist and imported to his pupils from the beginning the deepest appreciation of the art.

The Doring School of Dancing was established in Troy in 1884, in the old Athenaeum Hall. Removing to his present location, at No. 13 Third street, he has been active here continuously since 1890, a period of thirty-three years. Professor Doring has kept in closest touch with the movement of the times, and he upholds the highest artistic standards. He teaches ball room dancing, classic and interpretive dancing, ballet and stage dancing, and all forms of artistic expression of rhythmic motion. He has trained many of the most popular artists now in vaudeville and musical drama or comedy, and his reputation in this field is nation-wide. Some idea of the extent of his work may be gained from the fact that in 1920 this school enrolled 1,400 pupils. Professor Doring is a member of the American Society of Dancing Teachers, which he served as president and treasurer for eighteen years, and of which he is still treasurer, trustee and a member of the board of directors, and he is a leading member of the New York State branch of the same body. Fraternally he holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, being a member of Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons, and all the Scottish Rite bodies, including the Albany Consistory, and is a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Grande Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past noble grand, and is a member of the Masonic Club and the German Club. He attends the Episcopal church.

Professor Doring married (first) Emma Ulrich, who lived for only a few years. He married (second) Julia L. Knauff, June 7, 1883, died March 1, 1913, daughter of Florentine and Susan (Klein) Knauff. Professor and Mrs. Doring are the parents of three children: 1. Julia May Caroline, who was educated in the public schools of Troy and the Lan-

singburg High School. 2. Henry R., who was educated in the Troy High School, Troy Business College, and the New York School of Accountants, is a certified public accountant of Chicago, Illinois, and acts as chief pay roll auditor for the Aetna Life Insurance Company for the Western District of the United States, the headquarters of which are in Chicago; he married Anna Knapp, of Brooklyn, New York. 3. Louis E., who was educated in the Troy public schools and the Lansingburg High School, and after a course at the Rennert School of Embalming, of New York, became an undertaker and funeral director in Brooklyn, New York. Louis E. Doring served for ten months in France during the World War. Professor Doring resides at No. 45 Second avenue, North.

CHARLES W. KOSEGARTEN—President of the Grubb & Kosegarten Brothers Piano Action Manufacturing Company, and one of three brother who have always been closely associated in business and family life, Mr. Kosegarten is known as the manufacturer of a product that has a world-wide market and is used in many of the finest pianos made. He was born at Scodack Landing, New York, December 13, 1870, son of Frederick and Caroline (Solchom) Kosegarten, both of whom were representatives of German families who emigrated to the United States in 1869. Mr. Kosegarten's father was a watchmaker and jeweller. Both of Mr. Kosegarten's parents were extremely fond of flowers, which grew in great profusion around their house and in the gardens adjacent thereto. Mr. Kosegarten's brother are: Otto, who is secretary of the company, and Albrecht, who is vice-president and treasurer.

Charles W. Kosegarten and his brothers were educated in the public schools, and in 1887, at the age of seventeen years, he began his business career by securing a position at the Frickingers' Piano Factory. He found his work for this firm agreeable, and has never had the slightest regret for his choice of a life work. He spent three years with Frickingers, and then, when the business was taken over by Gorgen and Grubb, accepted a position with them, spending three years more at the factory. Mr. Gorgen then withdrew from the business and started what is now the A. C. Cheney Piano Action Company, at Castleton, New York. Mr. Kosegarten found it to his advantage to go to St. Johnsonville with Mr. Englehart, and spent six years there in his employment. By this time he acquired an expert and authoritative knowledge of the processes employed in the manufacture of piano actions, and accordingly, he decided to establish himself in an independent business with his brothers, who had shared his career, and learned their work in the same places. He left Mr. Englehart, therefore, to their great regret, and in equal partnership with his brothers, Otto and Albrecht, purchased Mr. Gorgen's interest in the factory on what was known as Bunker Hill. They took an active part in the management of this factory during the next five years, and seemed well along on the road to a broader success than the business had ever known, when, on July 14, 1904, the factory

was completely destroyed by fire. After this catastrophe the brothers acquired full control of the business and set to work to rebuild it, undaunted by the heavy losses incurred as a result of the fire. They erected a new plant at Nassau, New York, where they have ever since lived, and from the very beginning of their career here have been remarkably successful. Their factory is fully equipped with the best machinery for the manufacture of their products, and their force of one hundred and twenty-five workers is as loyal and devoted a corps of men as any employer could wish for. The Kosegarten piano actions have acquired an international reputation, and the yearly volume of sales is rapidly increasing. The success of the Kosegartens has been due to their thorough knowledge of the industry, and of the market for raw materials, such as the metal wires employed in their work; and to the high ideals of craftsmanship and skill which they have always maintained, no less than to the reputation for prompt and careful service which they have established. Recognized leaders of the business world of Rensselaer county, they occupy a position of influence in the community and take an active part in all movements for civic betterment and the increase of public prosperity.

In politics Mr. Kosegarten is a Republican. He has never sought public office, being content to support the policies of his party by his vote and by his personal influence in matters of policy, in which his advice is frequently sought. His brother, Albrecht, however, has served for the long period of twelve years as president of the village of Nassau, and takes an active interest in local political affairs. Mr. Kosegarten is a member of St. Johnsonville Lodge, Knights of Pythias. In religious faith he and his brothers, as well as their families, are all members of the Reformed church, and take an active part in the work of the congregation of that faith at Nassau.

Mr. Kosegarten married, on March 30, 1894, at St. Johnsonville, New York, Isabella Kellar, daughter of Frederick and Isabella Kellar. Mr. and Mrs. Kosegarten have one son, Frederick, who was born at St. Johnsonville and who is named for his grandfathers. Mr. Kosegarten's brother, Otto, married Augusta Halstead, and has two children: Caroline, and Catherine. Albrecht Kosegarten, the oldest of the brothers, married Ada Bedell, and has two children: Herman, and Mary.

JOSEPH B. MULHOLLAND—Among the younger professional group of Rensselaer county, New York, Joseph B. Mulholland, of Troy, holds a leading position, and his record of honorable service in the recent war places him among the foremost young men of the city. Mr. Mulholland is a member of an old Troy family, and a son of Matthew H. and Cathrine (Sullivan) Mulholland, both parents now deceased. The father was a former police officer of Troy.

Joseph B. Mulholland was born in Troy, New York, July 4, 1890, and his early education was received at St. Joseph's Academy and St. Lawrence's Parochial School. He is a graduate of Troy High School,

class of 1909, and received his professional training at Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Law. His first experience was in the employ of assistant corporation counsel, Owen D. Connelly, and he was active in this connection for two years. Admitted to the bar in New York State in 1914, he took up the independent practice of his profession shortly afterwards and has since been active along general lines. He has attained marked prominence in his chosen field of endeavor and is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association. He has recently been appointed on a commission to appraise lands in Rensselaer county for the Adirondack Light & Power Company.

Mr. Mulholland enlisted for service in the World War July 23, 1918. Detailed to Camp Meade, he was assigned to the Seventy-first Division, and continued with that unit until September 14, 1918, when he was sent to the Central Officers' Training Camp, at Camp Gordon, Georgia. He was commissioned second lieutenant, but the armistice intervened before he was ordered overseas, and on January 15, 1919, he was transferred to the Reserve Corps and still holds his commission as second lieutenant in the United States Reserve Corps. He is a member of Troy Post, American Legion, which he serves on the executive committee, and he was one of the founders of Van Rensselaer Post of this order. Since 1915 Mr. Mulholland has been a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and began going through the chairs in 1916. He is now exalted ruler of his lodge, his present term in this office expired April 1, 1923, but was reëlected. He is a member of the All-Troy Athletic Club, the ex-Firemen's Association, and the Republican Club. He is an enthusiastic advocate of the principles and policies of the Republican party, and his friends look upon him as a young man who will eventually find a great future. Forceful and convincing as a public speaker, he is frequently called upon to address public gatherings, both of a political and general nature. Mr. Mulholland's recreative interests are such as take him out into the open, and his greatest delight is camping. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society, also St. Vincent de Paul Society of the same parish.

WILLIAM TROTTER, M. D.—Trained in the institutions of his native State of New York, Dr. Trotter received his degree eleven years ago and has since had extensive experience, including his service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. Successful to a marked degree in the practice of medicine, he has in recent years, especially when in the service, gained large experience in surgery, and since his return to his private practice has specialized in this branch of professional work. Dr. Trotter is a son of John and Mary (Kiee) Trotter, both still living, his father an engineer by occupation.

Dr. Trotter was born in Troy, New York, May 2, 1888. His education was begun at Public School No. 6, of this city, and he was graduated from Troy High School in the class of 1908, after which he entered

Albany Medical College, receiving his degree from that institution upon his graduation in 1912. For one year he acted as interne at the Samaritan Hospital of Troy, then began practice in 1913. He served on the medical staff of the above hospital until his return from the war, since which time he has served on the surgical staff, to which he was appointed in June, 1919. Dr. Trotter's military record begins with his enlistment and commission as first lieutenant of the Medical Corps in June, 1917. He was stationed first at Fort Benjamin Harrison, at Indianapolis, Indiana, and was sent to San Francisco to join the Roumania Expeditionary Forces, and had embarked thence for Roumania, but was recalled, and in July, 1918, was sent to France. He was attached to the 67th Artillery in France until his return to the United States, when he was discharged from active service, in March, 1919, and was transferred to the United States Reserve Medical Corps, with the rank of Captain. Resuming his practice in Troy in June, 1919, Dr. Trotter has won wide renown as a surgeon, and stands high in professional circles in Rensselaer county. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with Troy Post, American Legion; King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. He is a member of Woodside Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Trotter married, on May 28, 1919, Margaret M. Stewart, daughter of William and Susan (Miles) Stewart, and they have one child, William Stewart Trotter. Mrs. Trotter was born in Watervliet, New York, but came to Troy in her childhood.

ARCHIE E. WAINMAN—Deputy sheriff and tax collector of East Greenbush township, Mr. Wainman has been engaged in the electrical contracting business at East Greenbush since 1909. He was born at East Schodack, New York, September 24, 1884, in the old hotel in that town which has been famous for many years throughout Rensselaer county as one of the most hospitable and friendly hostelries in the region. His parents, John and Josephine (Stumpf) Wainman, are representatives of families that have long been prominent in Rensselaer county business and social life. His father is the owner of a New York State farm, and has devoted the whole of his active career to the scientific care and cultivation of the soil.

Mr. Wainman received his education in the public schools of his native township, and during the course of his studies became intensely interested in electricity and the various means by which this tremendous force may be utilized for the benefit of mankind. He determined to become an expert electrician and accordingly, when he had completed his studies, went to New York City and formed a connection with the New York Edison Company. He found his work with this company extremely interesting and profitable, and remained with them for several years. During this period he acquired a thorough knowledge of all kinds of electrical work, such as installing electricity in houses for

lighting and other purposes, making necessary repairs on electrical equipment, and attending to the business details connected with the business. His relations with his employers and associates were always of the most cordial and agreeable nature, and he might have remained in New York City indefinitely had he not decided to try his luck in an independent business. He came to East Greenbush in 1909, therefore, and established himself in business as an electrical contractor. He had many friends in this part of the country, his wife being a native of East Greenbush, and from the very beginning he met with unusual success. His business has grown steadily in size since its foundation, and he has established a reputation for careful and efficient workmanship, together with prompt and courteous service. He does general electrical contracting and keeps a full stock of electrical equipment on hand for the convenience of customers who find it necessary to add to their equipment or to replace worn-out or defective parts. Generally regarded as an energetic and progressive business man, Mr. Wainman's judgment on all matters pertaining to his chosen field carries great weight and influence.

In politics Mr. Wainman is a Republican. He holds office at present as tax collector of East Greenbush township, and as deputy sheriff. His influence is always exerted on the side of progress, and he takes the greatest interest in all constructive civic movements. In religious faith he is a member of the Reformed church. He is a Mason of long standing, having been for the past seventeen years a member of the Blue Lodge, No. 87, Free and Accepted Masons, at East Greenbush.

On December 24, 1907, Mr. Wainman married, at East Greenbush, Alice May Hilsinger, daughter of George and Emily (Hunt) Hilsinger. Mr. and Mrs. Wainman have five children: Leo Melvin, Gladys, Elmer Lewis, George Russell, and Charles, all of whom were born at East Greenbush and are now (1923) attending school.

JOHN WOOD McKNIGHT—At "Brookside," Castleton, Rensselaer county, New York, not far from his birthplace, John W. McKnight now resides, he being one of the well-known Democratic leaders of the county of Rensselaer and of the State of New York. He has fought many political battles and knows both the sweets of victory and the fall of defeat, but he is a generous winner and a good loser, loving the game more than the office. He is a son of John W. and Fannie M. (Schermerhorn) McKnight; his mother a daughter of Nicholas A. and Lucy Jane (Stearns) Schermerhorn. John W. and Frank Hardee McKnight survive their parents, as does a daughter, Mrs. Marion (McKnight) Errock. Two sisters of Mr. McKnight, Phoebe and Fredericka, are deceased.

Born at Castleton, Rensselaer county, New York, December 11, 1879, he has resided all his life in that village. Mr. McKnight is a son of John W. McKnight, who lived the greater part of his life in the town of Schodack, Rensselaer county, and who was widely known throughout Rensselaer county and the State of New York as a staunch Democrat and was twice elected to the State Assembly (1889 and 1890). He also served

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his party in various capacities during a period of twenty-five years of political activity. John Wood McKnight received his education in the public schools and for some time was engaged in various enterprises with his father and brother, finally taking a position with the New York Central and Hudson Railroad Company, and continued in that company's employ for twelve years.

Mr. McKnight is a member of Lodge No. 721, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Castleton, New York; Sunnyside Lodge, No. 731, Free and Accepted Masons; Greenbush Chapter, No. 274, Royal Arch Masons; Temple Commandery, No. 2, of Albany, New York. He is also an active volunteer fireman and has served several years as treasurer of the J. W. McKnight Hose Company, No. 1, of his home town. He is also a member of the Brotherhood Lodge of Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, No. 250, of Rensselaer, New York. Mr. McKnight has always been active in Democratic politics. He was chosen in 1911 as his party candidate for supervisor in the town of Schodack, and was elected in spite of a large normal Republican majority. In 1912 he was nominated for State Senator by the Democratic party and was elected, receiving a majority of 1,850 over John Knauff, the Republican candidate. Lieutenant-governor Glynn appointed Mr. McKnight a member of the following committees: railroads, canals, public health, commerce and navigation; and chairman of the committee on printed and engrossed bills. In the fall of 1914 he was a candidate for reëlection for State Senator, but was defeated by Walter A. Wood, of Hoosick Falls. On February 11, 1915, Mr. McKnight was appointed postmaster at Castleton, New York, serving eight years under President Wilson's appointments, and retiring September 10, 1923. He was designated as a Democratic candidate for county treasurer on July 12, 1923, the result of that nomination yet unknown (August, 1923).

Mr. McKnight married, in 1913, Gertrude Griffin Longyear, of Owego, Tioga county, New York, daughter of John W. and Matilda (Thibordence) Longyear. To Mr. and Mrs. McKnight a daughter, Elizabeth, was born July 13, 1916.

NORMAN E. WATERS, as owner and proprietor of a thriving and prosperous pharmacy in Nassau, New York, is contributing his share to the economic prosperity of the village. He has had a thorough and careful preparation for his work, and since 1921 has been conducting an up-to-date establishment which he now owns in Nassau.

Born in the village of Rensselaer, New York, October 26, 1895, Mr. Waters is a son of James S. and Elizabeth (Holes) Waters, who are the parents of four children, Norman E. being the oldest, and the others: Robert V., James S., and Marion B. He received his early and preparatory education in the public schools of his native city, and after completing the course in Rensselaer High School, became a student in the Albany College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated in 1916. He then found employment in Stewart's Pharmacy in the village of Rensselaer, where he remained for a period of thirteen years. At the end of that time he enlisted for service in the World War, and on No-

vember 3, 1917, was assigned to the Medical Corps as a member of the casual company at Camp Devens, where he remained until February 17, 1918. He was then sent to Camp Merritt, Long Island, and on February 26 of the same year, sailed for France. Upon his arrival in France, March 10, 1917, he was transferred to the 164th Ambulance Company, of the 41st Division, where he remained until February 24, 1919, when he sailed for home. On March 14, 1919, he received his honorable discharge from Camp Dix. Upon his return to civilian life he again engaged in business as a pharmacist, in the employ of Mr. Stewart, remaining there until May 18, 1921, when he removed to Nassau, New York, and purchased the pharmacy which he is conducting at the present time. His long experience and thorough preparation for his work have enabled him to make a pronounced success of his business from the beginning, and his establishment is known as one of the most successful and progressive in the village. He casts his vote for the candidates of the Republican party, takes an active interest in its affairs, though he has never held public office nor desired either the honors or emoluments of public service. He has always taken an active interest in the advancement of the public welfare of the community in which he has lived, but he has preferred to serve in the quiet ways of the average citizen. Fraternally he is affiliated with Gratitude Lodge, No. 674, Free and Accepted Masons, of Nassau, New York.

Mr. Waters married, at the village of Rensselaer, April 4, 1921, Charlotte Binck, daughter of Henry and Mary (Sweet) Binck. Mr. and Mrs. Waters have no children. They reside in Nassau, New York.

FRANK ELMER McDUFFEE, A. B., LL. B.—Standing in the front ranks of the legal profession in Rensselaer county, New York, Mr. McDuffee is a noteworthy figure in professional circles to-day. Following general lines of practice in this State for the past twenty-five years, he has attained an enviable position at the bar of the State, and is counted among the leading citizens of Troy. A native of the neighboring State of Vermont, Mr. McDuffee's grandfather, James McDuffee, was one of the early settlers of Bradford, Orange county, in that State. Everett McDuffee, his son, and Mr. McDuffee's father, was one of the first men in the State of Vermont to take up the nursery business and fruit growing on a commercial scale. Everett McDuffee was born at Bradford, February 12, 1832, and died in 1914. He married Lucy McDuffee, a member of a different family of the same name, who died when their son was a young lad.

Frank Elmer McDuffee, son of Everett and Lucy (McDuffee) McDuffee, was born at Bradford, Orange county, Vermont. After attending the Bradford Academy he entered Phillips-Andover Academy, at Andover, Massachusetts, where he took the regular college preparatory course, and from which he was graduated with the class of 1890. For his course in the arts and letters he entered Yale University and was graduated from that institution in 1894, receiving his Bachelor's degree in the arts. Thereafter, for two years, Mr. McDuffee taught mathematics at the Cheshire (Connecticut) Episcopal Academy for Boys.

In 1896 he entered Yale University School of Law, from which he was graduated with the class of 1898, receiving his Bachelor's degree in the law. He was admitted to the bar of New York State in Brooklyn, in the early summer of 1898, and began the practice of law in the city of Troy in the fall of the same year. His career has been one of marked success from the outset, and following general lines of practice, he has developed a very extensive clientele, holding a position of wide prominence in Rensselaer county, and commanding the esteem of his colleagues and of the people.

In the political affairs of the city of Troy Mr. McDuffee is a leading figure. He is a loyal supporter of the Democratic party, and while choosing to bear his part as a worker in the ranks, has served as county attorney for Rensselaer county (1914-1915). He was brought forward as candidate for county judge in 1909, and district attorney in 1919. He is broadly active in all movements for the general good, irrespective of political consideration. Fraternally Mr. McDuffee holds life membership in King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Troy, and his school, college and law school societies were Phi Beta Chi, Sigma Nu, and Book and Gavel. Always much interested in athletics, at Phillips-Andover Academy he played on the football team, and at Yale was on his class football team and crew, and acted as substitute on both the 'varsity crew and football team. He retains his interest in all athletic sports, but is not now an active participant. His religious affiliation is with the Andover (Massachusetts) Theological Seminary Church, of which he became a member in 1888, and with which he has always retained his connection.

Mr. McDuffee married Elsa Meta Fredé, daughter of Charles and Louise (Eckert) Fredé, of New York City, Mr. Fredé being a composer and a conductor of music.

WARREN WALLACE ST. JOHN, M. D.—As a physician Dr. St. John is very successful and his services are in demand by two institutions of his city, Troy, New York. Dr. Theodore L. and Carrie Augusta (Filkins) St. John were the parents of five children: Warren W., of whom further; Theodore Raymond, who holds the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from Columbia University, and is now a lawyer in New York City; Mary F.; William J., who died in 1891; and Olive C., who married Walter Film. The father was a prominent physician, and active in civic affairs of Brunswick, New York, prior to his death October 4, 1922. The mother died October 12, 1917.

Born at Center Brunswick, Rensselaer county, New York, January 14, 1882, Warren Wallace St. John attended the district schools while living there, and later studied in Public School No. 3 and the high school at Troy, graduating from the latter in 1901. His medical education was obtained at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, graduating there in 1905, with his Doctor's degree. He was then interne for two and a half years at St. Francis Hospital, and resident physician until the latter part of 1908. On the first of January, 1909, he began to practice in the city of Troy, where he was assistant attending physician

at the Samaritan Hospital from 1909 to 1919, and then regular attending physician. Since 1921 he has also been the attending physician at the Day Home. Dr. St. John's affiliations with professional and other societies is as follows: Omega Upsilon Psi, the grand chapter of Columbia University; American Medical Association, New York State Medical Society, and Rensselaer County Medical Society.

Dr. St. John married, October 5, 1914, Grace D. Staude, daughter of Adolph and Katharine (Case) Staude, of Troy, New York.

JOHN JOSEPH HEALY—One of the leading figures in commercial and civic affairs in Troy, New York, to-day, is John Joseph Healy, who has reached his present influential position wholly by his own efforts. Rounding out a useful life of nearly three score years, he has for forty-five years been active in the business world of this, his native city. He is a son of Martin and Mary (O'Donnell) Healy, his father during his lifetime an iron-worker.

John Joseph Healy was born in Troy, New York, October 8, 1864. He attended Christian Brothers School until fourteen years of age, when he secured a steady position in the foundry. Taking a comprehensive business course at the night classes of a leading commercial college, he devoted every spare moment to study and supplementary reading and although this took time, he raised himself from the beaten path of unskilled labor by careful preparation for higher fields of activity. In 1887 he became associated with his brother, Daniel A. Healy, who by similar effort had attained a measure of success and was proprietor of a drug store. There John J. Healy learned the business, and in 1889 established his own drug store. He has been active in this field of commercial advance continuously since, and is now at the head of one of the leading pharmacies of Troy. The energy and natural ability which carried Mr. Healy to such marked success have been called into the service of the public, and as early as 1887 he joined the old Volunteer Fire Department, serving with Steamer No. 3. He was made assistant captain in 1891 and captain one year later, serving in the latter office at that time for one year. In 1894 he was made treasurer, again in 1895-96 captain, and is now an exempt fireman. In 1912 Mayor Cornelius Burns appointed Mr. Healy to the Civil Commission of Troy, then being organized. He was elected president of that body, and has held this office continuously since, still ably fulfilling its responsibilities. Mr. Healy's relaxations include a keen interest in all outdoor sports. He was formerly well known locally in baseball, tennis and other athletics, but now finds his chief recreation in motor touring. A member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, he is a member of St. Mary's Holy Name Society, and a trustee of the church, also a trustee, secretary and treasurer of St. Mary's Cemetery Association.

Mr. Healy married, on January 17, 1891, Mary A. Dunnigan, also a native of Troy, daughter of Michael and Mary (Roach) Dunnigan, and they are the parents of nine children, of whom seven are living: 1. John Joseph, Jr., educated in La Salle Institute, and graduated from the Al-

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John J. Healy

bany College of Pharmacy in 1914; he served in the World War in the Medical Department Army Medical School, at Washington, District of Columbia, and later was transferred to Fort McPherson Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia. He was discharged June 1, 1919, and is now traveling salesman for George S. Spalt & Sons, Albany, New York, manufacturers of store fixtures and soda fountains. 2. Francis A., whose education comprised the same courses at the same institutions as his elder brother attended, graduating from the Albany College of Pharmacy in 1915; he is now associated with his father in his pharmacy at Fourth and Washington streets; he served for eighteen months in the late World War, winning a second lieutenant's commission in France, and now serves in the United States Reserve Corps. 3. William G., educated at La Salle Institute and Albany Law School, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws, 1920; served for six months in the United States navy during the recent World War, and is now active and successful in legal practice in Troy. 4. Leo I., educated at La Salle Institute, spent one year at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he was a student solding during the World War, and first sergeant of Company F, in that institution; he is now proprietor of a restaurant at Albany and an accomplished violinist; he married Rose Mary Gallagher. 5. Marie C., who was educated at St. Mary's School and Russell Sage College, and is now a stenographer in the office of the Secretary of State at Albany, New York. 6. Teresa L., a graduate of St. Mary's School of Troy, graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, at Rutland, Vermont, class of 1923. 7. Raymond V., who has covered the grammar grades at La Salle Institute, and is now in second year high at La Salle Institute. 8. Joseph, who died at about one year of age. 9. Gertrude, who died at about the same age. In giving to his children the splendid educational opportunities he did, Mr. Healy has found the great satisfaction of his life, and he may well take pride in these young men and women who have taken useful positions in life or are preparing for future activities along practical lines. The family residence is at No. 236 Third street.

LIEUTENANT EDWARD LEO RYAN—In the profession of the law in Rensselaer county, New York, one of the most prominent figures of the younger group is Attorney Edward Leo Ryan, but a far wider prominence belongs to this figure through his connection with the organizations which are the outgrowth of the recent war, and as Lieutenant Edward L. Ryan, aid-de-camp on the staff of Colonel T. L. Huston, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lieutenant Ryan will best and longest be known. He is a young man of broadly progressive spirit, with high ideals, and practical ability, and while he will be missed from the circles which have known him here, his greater opportunities of usefulness open before him a future worthy of his highest efforts, and one in which he will unquestionably distinguish himself. Lieutenant Ryan is a son of James and Mary (McAuliff) Ryan, his father one of the prominent figures in Democratic political advance in Troy, now secretary of the department of assessment and taxation of the Troy City Government. The mother died in 1915.

Edward L. Ryan was born at Troy, New York, June 27, 1895. First attending Public Scool No. 10, he was later graduated from Troy High School in the class of 1913, then entered Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1922, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar in September of the same year, and immediately thereafter entered upon the practice of his profession, quickly gaining an assured footing in that field. Lieutenant Ryan's war record began with his enlistment in January, 1916, in Company D, 2nd Regiment, New York National Guard, as private. He was sent to the Mexican Border with this unit and served there with the same unit until October, 1916, then in March, 1917, he was commissioned first lieutenant of Company D, of the same regiment and was sent to Canajoharie, New York, thence to Spartanburg, where he remained until he sailed for France in May, 1918, as first lieutenant of the 106th Infantry, 27th Division, American Expeditionary Forces. Arriving on the other side, he went at once into action at Mount Kemmel, then into the long battle at the Hindenburg line, where, on September 29, 1918, he was very severely wounded. He was cared for in various hospitals on the other side, finally reaching the United States Base Hospital at Tottenham, England, then eventually was returned to the United States, arriving on December 18, 1918, still an invalid. He was at once taken to Lafayette House Hospital in New York City, and was later transferred to Foxhall Hospital in New York City. Upon his recovery, he was sent to Camp Mills, and thereafter to Camp Upton, where he received his discharge on April 1, 1919. This experience was an interruption in the young man's education, and upon his return to civilian life, he resumed his studies at Albany Law School, his graduation occurring, as above stated, in 1922. Lieutenant Ryan has since become a leading figure in the Troy Post of the American Legion, and Trojan Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and is also a member of the Twenty-seventh Division Association. His recommendation for appointment to the honored position of aid-de-camp on the staff of Colonel Huston came in February, 1923, and his appointment reflected honor not only upon the young man himself, but upon his native city and the military unit and organization of which he is a member. The good wishes of his many friends follow him into his new field of activity, and their confidences in his success and usefulness is unbounded. Lieutenant Ryan brought home from the war two mementoes, in which he takes great pride, in the form of citations, one for distinguished service in action on September 27, 1918, when every other officer of his battalion was either killed or wounded, he then taking command of the company and leading them forward successfully. The second citation was for courage and qualities of leadership in the engagement in which he was wounded on September 29, 1918, in which engagement Lieutenant Ryan's superior officer, Colonel Ransom H. Gillet, was also wounded on that day. Lieutenant Ryan is a member of Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and various other societies and orders of a social and fraternal nature. His choice of recreations includes outdoor

sports, and he is a skilled tennis player. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Lieutenant Ryan married, February 9, 1920, Agnes Smith, a daughter of John Smith, of Brooklyn, New York, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan have one child, John Edward, born February 22, 1922.

REV. CHRISTIAN PETER JENSEN, pastor of the Gilead Lutheran Church of Center Brunswick, New York, is rendering valuable service both to his congregation and to the community in general. He is one of the younger members of his profession and has been serving in his present pastorate since 1919.

Born in Whitesboro, New York, February 3, 1891, Mr. Jensen is of Danish parentage, son of Andrew, who was engaged in cabinet-making in Denmark, and Petrea (Petersen) Jensen, both born in Denmark. He received his earliest education in the public schools of Utica, New York, and after the completion of his high school course in that city became a student in Muhlenberg College, at Allentown, Pennsylvania. When his college course was completed he at once became a student in the Lutheran Theological Seminary, at Philadelphia, from which he was graduated with the class of 1917. His first charge was as pastor of the Church of the Ascension, in Brooklyn, New York, and that connection he faithfully and efficiently maintained until 1919, when he was called to the pastorate of the Gilead Lutheran Church, at Center Brunswick, New York, where he has been faithfully laboring for the past five years. He has won the confidence and esteem of his congregation and of the citizens of the town in general, and is doing a commendable work in the community. He is a member of the Local Grange, which he serves as chaplain, and since May 1, 1923, has been president of the Center Brunswick Improvement Association.

Rev. Christian Peter Jensen married, on August 22, 1917, Anna Leona Leefeldt, daughter of Henry C. and Anna (Koelbel) Leefeldt, and they are the parents of one child, Franklin Leefeldt, born in Brooklyn, New York, December 14, 1918.

NATHAN NAUM—Few men in the State of New York are more closely in touch with agricultural conditions there, and probably none are better qualified to give advice in matters pertaining to the science of agriculture than is Nathan Naum, who as founder and manager of a real estate and farm bureau, with central office at No. 78 State street, Albany, New York, has been instrumental in the settlement of some three hundred farms in Rensselaer county.

Mr. Naum was born in the Eastern Province, Russia, May 6, 1883, son of Morris and Rebecca (Mollic) Naum, but his professional training was received in this country. After graduating from the New Jersey Agricultural College, he became a student in the State University of Colorado, where he pursued an advanced and highly specialized course of theoretical and experimental study. When his professional training was completed, he accepted a position as superintendent of the Indian

Head Farm, which was conducted as an agricultural school on Long Island, New York, where he remained until 1913, when he removed to Nassau, New York. There he established a real estate and farm bureau, with central office at No. 78 State street, Albany, New York, and in this enterprise he has rendered a peculiar service. He has become a farm colonizer and has settled more than three hundred farms in Rensselaer county. His advice is much sought in agricultural affairs, in which profession he is highly trained, and his fame as a colonizer is well known throughout the State. Few men could have succeeded in that particular enterprise, and the qualities which have enabled him to successfully induce those who have not been farming to settle in Rensselaer county, combined with his expert knowledge of agricultural affairs, have been an important factor in the growth of the county. The business is still rapidly growing, and his real estate and farm bureau has a bright future before it. The number of offices has steadily increased, and the success of those whom Mr. Naum has settled upon Rensselaer county farms has invariably caused others to follow suit. His successful farmers have now become his best advertising medium.

Politically Mr. Naum is a Republican, but he has never held public office. He is a member of the Nassau Band, and is the organizer of the First National Farm Loan Association of Nassau, New York, which he still serves as secretary and treasurer. He also organized the Farmers' Trade Association of Rensselaer county, and there are few in the State who have rendered service of such high quality along agricultural lines in the State of New York. Though he has never held public office, Mr. Naum has always been one of those who willingly and enthusiastically lends his aid to all projects for the advancement of the welfare of the community During the World War he served as legal advisor to the Draft Board in Nassau, New York, and by his personal influence did much to carry "over the top" the various drives. He is a member of Albany Lodge, No. 49, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the synagogue.

On December 3, 1913, in Nassau, New York, Nathan Naum married Celia Allen, daughter of Harris and Mildred Allen, and they are the parents of two children: Mildred Doris, and Lionel Henry.

GERALD B. FITZGERALD—Successful in business and widely known fraternally, also now and for more than a decade a leading figure in the administration of public charities, Mr. FitzGerald is one of the foremost citizens of his community. He comes of a family long prominent in this section, and is a son of Thomas and Ellen (Fitzgerald) FitzGerald. These two families reach back through entirely different lines to the old and honored families of Ireland.

Gerald B. FitzGerald was born in Troy, New York, May 15, 1875. His first school attendance was at St. Peter's Parochial School, then, after a course at St. Peter's Academy, the young man entered La Salle Institute, at Troy, from which he was graduated in 1895. He then became identified with the old wholesale mercantile establishment of

which his father had for many years been the head, and which was founded by his mother's brother, Michael Fitzgerald, about 1850. Mr. FitzGerald went on the road for this concern as a salesman in the East, in the New York and Massachusetts district, and was thus engaged until 1912, meeting with success. He was then appointed commissioner of charities of Troy, and still serves. He is a member of the National Conference of Social Work, of the New York State Conference of Charities, the Capitol District Conference of Charities, and of the Rensselaer County Board of Child Welfare. He has taken a leading place in this field of public activity in the State, serving as Democratic State committeeman of the First Assembly District of Rensselaer county, and his work is highly commended both by the people of Troy and by his contemporaries in this and allied endeavors. Fraternally Mr. FitzGerald holds membership in the Foresters of America, of which he was supreme representative for years. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is identified with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. FitzGerald married Helen Heelan, of Troy, and they have four children: Thomas F., educated in St. Peter's Parochial School, La Salle Institute, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, class of 1921, mechanical engineers degree and now an instructor at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Helen, educated in the kindergarten of the public schools, St. Peter's School, and St. Mary's Academy; Gerald B., Jr., educated at St. Peter's School and La Salle Institute, a graduate of (1923); and Marion, who has completed kindergarten and is now a pupil at St. Paul the Apostles Parochial School.

WILLIAM FRANCIS DARBY was born at Watervliet, New York, February 21, 1895, son of William E. and Clara J. (Matthews) Darby, both of whom are living. He first attended Public School No. 11 and then entered the Lansingburg public schools, adding three years of study in the high school. Later he attended Troy Academy, and was graduated in 1914, preparatory to entering the Albany Law School, from which he subsequently received his degree of Bachelor of Laws upon graduating in 1917. His practice of law began in 1920, due to the delay in appearing for bar examinations owing to the World War. He maintains an office at rooms Nos. 305-306 Boardman building, Troy, New York.

Mr. Darby is a member of the following organizations: Rensselaer County Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, Republican Club, Jerusalem Lodge, No. 355, Free and Accepted Masons, Troy, New York; Tordenskjold Grove, No. 25, United Ancient Order of Druids, Young Men's Christian Association, both in Troy and Lansingburg; Amity Club, the All Troy Athletic Club, and St. John's Choir Guild. His recreational interests are in hunting, fishing, music, and the Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Darby married, September 7, 1921, Ethel Parker, of Waterford, New York.

ORVILLE E. BOSCA—In private enterprises and public endeavor, Mr. Bosca has for many years been a leading figure in the city of Troy, particularly since the annexation of the suburb of Lansingburg, in which he was formerly one of the foremost men in the public service.

Orville E. Bosca was born at Chazy, Clinton county, New York, May 17, 1867. His education was acquired in the public schools of that community and at the age of twelve years he came to Lansingburg, now a part of Troy, where he continued his school attendance for a time. He was still only a young lad however, when he entered the business world, securing a position in a grocery store in Lansingburg, and he followed this line of work both as an employe and as an owner for many years. Early in his career Mr. Bosca became interested in public affairs, supporting the Republican party, and while still active in the town administration of Lansingburg, he served in many appointive and elective officers. He was town clerk of Lansingburg, was secretary of the town board and of the Board of Health, also was registrar of Vital Statistics for both the village and town of Lansingburg, filling all of these offices at the time of the annexation of the town of Lansingburg to the city of Troy, and being the last to hold these offices in old Lansingburg. He was elected alderman from the Seventeenth Ward immediately following the annexation and served in this capacity for six years, during which period he was the Republican floor leader of the Board of Aldermen. In 1915 Mr. Bosca became identified with the Troy Auto Car Company, Incorporated, which he served as a director for three years. This company was formed to operate a line of busses on Fifth avenue, Troy, and was officered as follows: William Schupp, president; Jean Schupp, vice-president; and G. A. Van Derbilt, treasurer. In 1918 a group of local people bought out the Schupps and re-organized the enterprise under the name of the Troy Auto Car Company, Incorporated, the personnel of the new organization being as follows: Arthur B. Cobden, president; Orville E. Bosca, vice-president, assistant treasurer and assistant manager; and George A. Van Derbilt, treasurer and manager. A further change in the organization was made in 1923, when the title became the Troy-Fifth Avenue Bus Company, Incorporated, Mr. Cobden continuing as president. Mr. Van Derbilt as vice-president, Mr. Bosca as treasurer and general manager, H. C. Morrissey as assistant treasurer and assistant manager, and M. V. Harvey as secretary. They operate a line of busses on Fifth avenue now numbering twelve, while the law permits them fifteen. With thirty-four employes, they are giving the public prompt and efficient service and as a corporation are held in high esteem in the city. They own their present quarters, which consist of a fireproof building erected in 1921, 50x100 in ground dimensions, and have a very considerable acreage of land adjoining for future development. They also sell gasolene and automobile parts, and are equipped with extensive storage facilities which they use commercially. As the active manager of this business, Mr. Bosca is carrying it forward to great success, his large experience and natural ability counting largely in its progress. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is a director of the Rensselaer County Republican Club, also a member of

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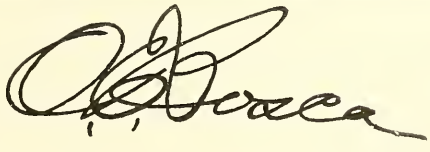

the Troy Automobile Club. He was a charter member of the Twinning Steamer Company and is still a member of this organization and an exempt fireman. He was one of the founders and was the first grand knight of Lansingburg, of the Knights of Columbus, holding the fourth degree, and he also was one of the founders and was first commodore of the Troy Motor Boat and Canoe Club. His religious affiliation it with St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Bosca married, on November 26, 1884, when only a little more than seventeen years of age, Lillian F. Brayton, of Lansingburg, who died leaving three children: Wilbur C., educated in Lansingburg public school, engaged in the grocery business formerly owned and conducted by his father, married Esther M. Doyle, and they have one daughter, Lillian Frances; Albert E. and Frances M., both died in the influenza epidemic of 1919.

JOHN C. WARDEN, a native of Rensselaer county, New York, has spent his lifetime in his native State and has been active in the industrial world along various lines of endeavor, the greater part of his active life having been spent in the shirt and collar factories of the city of Troy. He has for many years also been active in the public life of this city and has served the people in many responsible offices, now being deputy revenue collector for the Troy district. Mr. Warden is a son of Nathaniel E. and Mary (Haynes) Warden. His father, who is no deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War, a blacksmith by trade, and a hard working and industrious man of simple tastes and unquestioned business integrity.

John C. Warden was born at East Nassau, Rensselaer county, New York, November 24, 1868. He attended the local schools until the age of eight years, when the family removed to Harlem, New York, and from that time on his education was erratic, the father being employed for a number of years in railway work and the family home changed frequently. Later settling permanently in Rensselaer county, John C. Warden came to Troy in 1897, and has since resided in this city. During this period of more than a quarter of a century, he has been a resident of the Seventeenth Ward, and until 1915 was employed at his trade of shirt cutter, a greater part of the time in the local shirt and collar factories. During the entire time in which he was employed thus, he was a member of the Shirt Cutters' Union. From his youth Mr. Warden has supported the Republican party in political issues of local or national import and has always been a worker in the ranks of the party. For a number of years he was active as inspector of elections, then in 1912 was elected to the Rensselaer County Board of Supervisors. In this connection he served during the years 1913 and 1914 and acted as chairman of the sheriff's committee during this term. He was defeated for reëlection to the board in the elections of 1914, but in 1915 was brought forward as a candidate for alderman from the Seventeenth Ward and was elected with a gratifying majority. His subsequent reëlections as alderman in 1917, 1919 and 1921, retained him in this office during the present year of 1923. In 1919 and 1920 Mr. Warden served as president

pro tem of this body, and for the last two terms of his aldermanic activities he has been a member of the important finance committee. His work in this body has been largely constructive and always progressive, and he is esteemed by all his contemporaries, both for his public endeavors and as a private citizen. Fraternally Mr. Warden is a member of Hudson Valley Lodge and Hudson Valley Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; a charter member of the Troy Lodge, Order of the Maccabees, and its first lieutenant commander. He is also a member of Camp King, Sons of Veterans, of Troy, New York, of which he is ex-commander. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Warden married, October 5, 1895, Julia Delaney, of Rensselaer, New York, daughter of James and Jane (McCarthy) Delaney, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Warden have one child, May Cecelia, educated in Lansingburg public and high schools and now a student at Albany Business College.

LUCIEN EARLE CLICKNER, LL. B.—Among the younger men in the professional world of Troy, New York, Mr. Clickner is achieving noteworthy success and is now serving as clerk of the Surrogate Court of Rensselaer county. Mr. Clickner is a son of Webster M. Clickner, a prominent farmer of Brunswick, New York, and a man well known in that part of the State. The mother, Minnie Frances (Wager) Clickner, comes of an old family of Rensselaer county, whose records appear elsewhere in this work.

Lucien Earle Clickner was born on the home farm at Brunswick, New York, June 4, 1892. He first attended district school No. 1, then entered Troy High School, from which he was graduated in 1911. Following one year at Cornell University, he entered the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1915 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He served a clerkship in the office of Colonel Eugene Bryan, then in 1917 was admitted to the bar of New York State. On October 28, 1922, he was admitted to the United States District Court, of Eastern New York State. He has gained a secure footing in the profession in the comparatively few years since starting out upon his career and is counted among the most promising young men of Troy, already handling important litigation in the local and district courts. Mr. Clickner is a member of the New York State Bar Association, and the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and has served as clerk of the Rensselaer County Surrogate Court since January 1, 1920. Fraternally he is a member of Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Theta Phi college fraternity, also of the Masonic Club. His relaxations are hunting and fishing, also farming, and he is a member of the Sand Lake Grange. He is affiliated with the Reformed church.

Mr. Clickner married Marguerite Fellows, a member of the prominent Fellows family of West Sand Lake, found elsewhere in this work.

HARRY PHILLIPS HUMPHREY, LL. B.—A leading figure among the successful professional men of Rensselaer county, New York, Mr. Humphrey is a man of broad interest and progressive thought and

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activity. He is identified with the fraternal advance of the day and interested in all affairs both professionally and in a personal way. A member of an old Massachusetts family, he is a son of Edwin and Emily (Ripley) Humphrey.

Harry Phillips Humphrey was born in Blackington, Massachusetts, June 6, 1877. The family removing to Adams, Massachusetts, shortly after his school attendance was begun, he completed the grammar school course and also covered part of the high school course there. A second removal to Troy, New York, placed him in the high schools of this city, and from there he entered Troy Academy. His preparatory course thus covered, he took up the professional work in the law department of Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Law. Admitted to the bar within a year, Mr. Humphrey practiced in partnership with John A. Cipperly, but in 1904 the partnership was dissolved and since that time he has practiced independently. Mr. Humphrey has been largely successful, and in a professional capacity has been brought forward along other lines than those of his private practice. He was elected to the Board of Aldermen for the years 1904 and 1905, and during his service in this connection acted as chairman of the law committee. He is now attorney for the Federal Land Bank for Rensselaer and Washington counties in this State, and this activity is closely in line with his chief recreative interest, farming. He has a fine farm at Sandlake, which he manages himself, doing diversified farming. He was one of the organizers of the Rensselaer County Farm Bureau, and is very active in the work of this organization. Mr. Humphrey is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and fraternally holds membership in Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Phi Delta Phi fraternity. His religious affiliation is with St. John's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Humphrey married, on February 9, 1914, Edith M. Lisle of Troy.

ALEXANDER CAMERON DEWAR—From the ranks of the worker to an independent position at the head of his own undertaking business, Alexander Cameron Dewar has won his own way without influence or resources other than those which he has gained by his own effort, and he now stands among the leaders in his chosen field of endeavor. Mr. Dewar is a son of John and Isabella (Park) Dewar, his father a molder by trade, was born in Scotland, who came to this country in 1860, settling in Troy, New York. He died in November, 1902, the mother passing away eight years previous in January, 1894.

Alexander Cameron Dewar was born in Troy, New York, May 14, 1876. He first attended Public School No. 2, then completed his studies at No. 1. At the age of fourteen years he entered the world of industries, learning the molder's trade. He became an expert and worked for several years as a journeyman molder, becoming identified with the molders' union, in which he still holds membership. Mr. Dewar was not satisfied, however, to continue indefinitely in the industry, and while

he was still employed as a molder, he attended night sessions of a local business college, following various lines of reading and study, and meanwhile, whatever he felt would tend toward self-improvement. When he accumulated sufficient funds, he entered Renouard's School of Embalming, from which he was graduated in May, 1904. He entered the profession on his own account shortly after his graduation, securing a desirable location in Troy, and from the first was very successful. In 1916 he secured the present quarters and did extensive remodeling and preparation for his occupancy, moving in as soon as they were completed. He has here, at No. 2515 Fifth avenue, Troy, beautiful funeral parlors, spacious stock room, garage and work shop, all equipped in the most modern way for the handling of his work. He commands the patronage of the leading families of this city and vicinity, and is highly esteemed, both as a business man and as a citizen.

In public affairs, Mr. Dewar has always taken the deepest interest, and has been a leading member and worker in the Republican party, this in a section of the city where the Democratic majority is normally overwhelming. Mr. Dewar did ward work for the Republican party before he was old enough to become a voter, and as the years passed he was made one of the foremost leaders of the party in his ward. In 1909 he was nominated for alderman, and while he was defeated, he cut the normal majority from about 750 votes to 54 votes. In 1911 he ran for the office of assessor, and in 1913 he was nominated for the State Assembly from the First District, but in both these cases he was again defeated, although on both occasions cutting the Democratic majority in half. Mr. Dewar's activities, however, were considered so useful to the party and so constructive in public affairs that in 1916 he was appointed financial clerk of the Rensselaer County board of supervisors, an office which he still ably fills. He is also county committeeman for the Second District, Tenth Ward, of Rensselaer county.

Fraternally Mr. Dewar holds membership in Jerusalem Lodge, No. 355, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, No. 133, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; the Masonic Club, of Upper Troy; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of Palestine Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of which chapter he served as worthy patron for twelve years, and he is past assistant grand district lecturer of the Albany-Schenectady Rensselaer District. He is a leading member of Rensselaer Lodge, No. 53, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past noble grand, and is also a member of the Grand Lodge and Encampment, the Central Odd Fellows Club, and the Rebekahs. He is a member of the Troy Burns Scottish Club, the Riverside Club, and Troy Kiwanis Club, and finds his chief recreation in out-of-door sports, and at his delightful summer home on Lake Lauderdale, Washington county, he finds excellent fishing. He is a member of the Trojan Rod and Gun Club; and religiously of the Ninth Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Dewar married, September 16, 1914, Emma L. Wager MacQueen,

of Troy, and they have one daughter, Carolyn May. Mrs. Dewar is a member of the Eastern Star and the Rebekahs, and is prominent in political affairs, being a member of the Rensselaer County Republican Committee, and the Rensselaer County Women's Republican Club of Troy.

GEORGE D. SLADE, for the past fifteen years has been a leading figure in the real estate activities of Rensselaer county, New York, and for more than ten years has been active in the city of Troy. With practical business training and experience prior to entering this field, Mr. Slade has been a significant factor in the development and progress of real estate affairs in this section. Mr. Slade is a son of Benjamin J. and Elizabeth (Flagler) Slade, both now deceased. His father was for many years one of the prominent business men of Waterford, New York, where he conducted an extensive business interest in lumber and coal. He was counted among the successful men of the day and his influence, both as a business man and as a citizen, counted for all lines of civic and general advance.

George D. Slade was born in Waterford, New York, June 15, 1868. His first school attendance was at the select or private schools of the day, but he later attended the public schools of Waterford, where he laid a practical foundation for his later commercial activities. As a young man he entered the office of his father, and until 1908 he took a constructive and progressive part in the activities in which his father was engaged. In 1908 he entered the real estate business in Waterford and for four years or thereabouts he was active along this line in that community. Coming to Troy in 1912, he materially extended his activities in the real estate field and since that time has conducted ever increasing operations in the development and brokerage of real estate. He is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Dealers, the New York Association of Real Estate Dealers, and is a charter member of the Troy Real Estate Board. His activities are of a general nature and include all classes of real estate, both in the city and in the country, many valuable farms being listed with him. He has, since his residence in Troy, been a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Slade's chief recreation is farming, and from that point of personal interest as well as from business policy, he keeps in touch with many branches of agricultural advance.

JOHN JOSEPH BYRON, entered the employ of the United Waste Manufacturing Company in 1915 as a bookkeeper. Three years later he was made secretary of the same company, a position of responsibility that he still holds. The United Waste Manufacturing Company was organized in 1899, at No. 145 River street, Troy, New York, with the following officers: C. H. Kavanaugh, president; J. H. Shine, secretary; and Joseph J. Murphy, treasurer. The present officials are: Edward Murphy, president; Joseph J. Murphy, treasurer; and John J. Byron, secretary. The company operates two mills at Cohoes, New York, with

two storehouses in Troy, and are manufacturers of cotton, wool, and marino shoddies, cotton bats, and wholesale dealers in wastes; 175 hands are employed and their products are shipped to all parts of the United States. The Troy headquarters of the company are at Jackson and First streets.

John J. Byron, son of Thomas and Mary (Nelligan) Byron, was born in Troy, New York, February 26, 1874, and there was educated in the public schools, St. Joseph's Academy, and La Salle Institute. He began his business career as a bookkeeper and was employed in a responsible position in Troy and elsewhere until March 1, 1915, when he first came with the United Waste Manufacturing Company, of Troy and Cohoes, New York. On January 8, 1918, he was elected secretary of the company, a position for which his ability and experience qualify him. He is also secretary of the Wynantskill Manufacturing Company. Mr. Byron is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, St. Joseph's Club, Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; and in politics is a Democrat.

Mr. Byron married, June 9, 1914, Nora A. Kane, of Troy.

JOHN P. TAYLOR—Among the noteworthy figures in the profession of the law in Rensselaer county, New York, John P. Taylor is a man of more than usual prominence, and his success was achieved wholly by his own efforts. Gifted with marked ability, which is backed by a tireless energy, he has won his way to an enviable position, both from a professional point of view and as a public-spirited citizen, broadly active in the service of his city and State. Mr. Taylor comes of an old New York State family, and is a son of John and Mary (Anderson) Taylor, both now deceased.

John P. Taylor was born in Troy, New York, April 16, 1874. The family removing to Vermont when he was an infant, his education was begun at the public schools of the city of Bennington. When he was ten years of age the family returned to Troy and here his studies were continued under a private tutor until unfortunate circumstances compelled him to become self-supporting. He secured a position in the industrial world, but did not permit this to discourage him in his ambition to enter professional life. Taking up the study of law while still employed in a wage-earning capacity, he was admitted to the bar of his native State in the year 1900. He has since practiced without interruption, carrying forward his activities independently, and has for years handled a very extensive and lucrative practice, principally along general lines but with much corporation work. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association.

Mr. Taylor's public services have counted far in the civic progress of Troy and in the advance of Rensselaer county. A Republican by political affiliations, he is a loyal adherent of the principles of the party, but it is by no means as a partisan politician that he has approached public responsibility and discharged public duty. One of his first activities in this connection was in the capacity of counsel for the commission which built the Rensselaer county jail. He also acted as counsel for

the commissions which built both the old and new Pawling Sanitarium, also for the committee that built the annex to the Rensselaer county court house. More broadly important perhaps was his position as counsel for the board of supervisors for Rensselaer county, which he filled for a period of six years. He was still the incumbent of this office when it was merged into that of county attorney, and thus he became the first to hold the new office in Rensselaer county, this was in 1911. He also served for two terms of six years each as district attorney of Rensselaer county. For a number of years his private practice has demanded his attention to the exclusion of any important public service, but the work which he did in public office was constructive to a marked degree, and its usefulness is still apparent. Mr. Taylor is a member of Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Rensselaer Republican Club; the Young Men's Christian Association; and the Troy Chamber of Commerce, but has few interests outside his professional work, his relaxation being taken by hunting and fishing. He is a member of the State Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

John P. Taylor married, in 1900, Jessie Simmons, of Troy, and they are the parents of three children: Donald S., educated in the Troy public and high schools, Colgate University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and Albany Law School, degree of Bachelor of Laws (1922), now practicing with his father; Dorothy, educated in the Troy grammar and high schools, and Smith College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts, now the wife of P. R. Schilling, and they have one child, Johanna; and Dean Park, educated in Troy grammar and high schools and now a junior at Colgate University.

CHARLES H. GARDNER, holds a leading position in insurance circles in Troy, New York. Born in the Middle West but coming to this city in infancy, Mr. Gardner was reared in Rensselaer county and has become one of the popular and successful young men of the day. For nearly two decades he has been active in his chosen field of endeavor in Troy, and has built up such a business as is rarely found outside of metropolitan circles, winning his way from the beginning and developing a very extensive and profitable interest. Mr. Gardner is a son of George and Eva E. (Hudson) Gardner, his father, who died in 1910, was formerly a prominent collar manufacturer, identified with the firm of Searle-Gardner & Co.

Charles H. Gardner was born in Xenia, Ohio, September 5, 1885. The family coming to Troy in 1886, he received his education in the public and high schools of this city and Albany Business College. While still a very young man he entered the business world as a clerk in the employ of the Troy Trust Company. When only twenty years of age he went into an insurance office, and at thirty started in business for himself, and from a small beginning has come to a point where he represents the foremost companies of the world, including: The Westchester Fire Insurance Company, of New York; The Home Insurance Company, of New York; The Liverpool, London & Globe, of Liverpool, England; Firemen's Insurance Company, Newark, New Jersey; Commer-

cial Union, London, England; The Girard Fire & Marine Insurance Company, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Springfield Fire & Marine Insurance Company, Springfield, Massachusetts; Fidelity & Casualty Company, of New York; Fidelity & Deposit, of Baltimore, Maryland; Commerce, of Albany, New York; Royal, of Liverpool; New Hampshire Fire; Northern, of England; and general agent of the Royal Indemnity Company, of New York. Mr. Gardner's success has brought his name in a striking manner before the public, and it was commended upon in the Troy Sunday "Budget," of September 3, 1922, under the title of, "A Trojan's Enterprise," as follows:

> In acquiring the ownership of the insurance and bonding business of A. W. Harrington, Jr., Inc., Charles H. Gardner has added many powerful companies to those he has represented in this city for the past seventeen years. He is now the owner of one of the strongest agencies in Eastern New York.
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> Mr. Gardner is a typical Trojan in business enterprise and energy and through his own hard work, sound judgment and fair, square methods has established a business and secured a clientele seldom, if ever, equaled by a young man in the same period and under similar conditions.

Another enterprise in which Mr. Gardner is financially interested is the Union Tire & Vulcanizing Company, a co-partnership in which he is associated with James R. Wilson. This business was founded in 1914, and its name indicates the activities followed. Mr. Gardner is also treasurer of the Albia Paper Box Company, one of the most important manufacturing concerns of this city. A man of genial spirit, he has a wide acquaintance, and is connected with various branches of organized advance. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Troy Club; the Automobile Club, of which he is vice-president and a director, and the Troy Country Club.

Mr. Gardner married, in 1905, Olive Geer, daughter of William C. and Kate (Everingham) Geer, of Troy. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner have one daughter, Eloise.

CHARLES J. RYEMILLER—United States postmaster at West Sand Lake, New York, Mr. Ryemiller is also the proprietor of one of the leading dry goods and general stores in that town. He was born at West Sand Lake, December 2, 1886, son of John and Catherine (Herman) Ryemiller. His parents were residents of West Sand Lake and had long been identified with the business and social life of the community.

Mr. Ryemiller received his education in the public schools of his native town, and after having completed his studies, decided to go to New York City in search of business opportunities. He had no difficulty in securing an agreeable and profitable connection with the Knickerbocker Ice Company, at New York, and remained in the company's service for the long period of twelve years. He found life in the nation's metropolis pleasant and interesting, and the years he spent with the Knickerbocker Ice Company were destined to give him a broad and thor-

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ough understanding of the complexities of modern life, the conditions prevalent in business and industrial centers, and the factors determining success in any field of business activity. Mr. Ryemiller might have continued his connection with the Knickerbocker Ice Company had it not been for an increasing desire to return to his old home, a desire shared by his wife, who is a native of West Sand Lake. In 1918, a year after his marriage, Mr. Ryemiller saw an excellent opportunity for the establishment of a general store at West Sand Lake, and decided to invest his capital in the venture. Returning thither with his wife, he founded the Ryemiller general store, and met with immediate success from the very beginning. He has always maintained the highest standards of commercial service, dealing only in goods of recognized worth and keeping a full stock of staple articles always on hand, so as to be able to supply his customers without delay. His efforts in these directions are appreciated by his fellow-townsmen, who have not hesitated to give him their regular patronage, having the utmost confidence in the quality of everything sold at his establishment.

In May, 1920, Mr. Ryemiller was appointed United States postmaster at West Sand Lake, an office he now holds. Although he is not formally affiliated with any political party, he nevertheless takes an active interest in local issues and is a firm supporter of progressive policies, whether in government or business. He is a leader in every movement that has for its object the furtherance of public welfare and the promotion of business prosperity, and he is generally regarded as a public-spirited citizen. Mr. Ryemiller is a Mason, holding membership in East Greenbush Lodge, No. 89, Free and Accepted Masons.

On May 5, 1917, Mr. Ryemiller married at West Sand Lake, Myrline Teal, daughter of Henry and Anna (Rollman) Teal. Mr. and Mrs. Ryemiller have one son, Charles, Jr., who was born at West Sand Lake, New York.

CHESTER J. CRELL—In the group of younger men whose activities bear significance to the welfare of the community, Chester J. Crell is a leader, his office of general secretary of the Troy Boys' Club placing him in the foremost ranks of the social workers in Rensselaer county. Mr. Crell is a son of John and Margaret (Quinn) Crell; his father died in 1907, and his mother is still living.

Chester J. Crell was born in Troy, New York, January 2, 1898. His education was acquired at La Salle Institute, of Troy, from the primary grades to junior in the advanced department. Meanwhile, he had been an active member of the Troy Boys' Club and Association and following his first employment, which was with the National Biscuit Company, he was placed on the staff of the Boys' Club as an associate-worker, his early interest in the work of the club having attracted the attention of its executives. Since March 1, 1917, Mr. Crell has been connected with the club and was appointed secretary in December, 1921, which office he has since ably filled, embracing, as the work of this organization does, many and varied efforts for the boys of the city. Mr. Crell's

position is one of large responsibility, and the fact that the organization is constantly growing in numbers and usefulness appraises very definitely his fitness for this position. He has the best interests of the organization, and more broadly of the city, at heart and is devoting his splendid energies to the constant extension of the work of the club, his endeavor being to make it even more widely useful. Mr. Crell is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and the Troy Social Workers' Club. He is a member of the local Rotary Club, and his recreations include baseball and basketball, although he has scarcely any interest which does not align with his activities as a social worker. The history of the Boys' Club, which was founded by and enjoyed the patronage of the leading people of Troy, appears in another part of this work. Their fine new building, owned in the name of the club, is the pride of the city among all who appreciate the work of which it is the center.

DR. WALTER EDWARD BEAN—Among the younger dentists in Troy, New York, is Dr. Bean, who has the distinction of being one of two men selected for dental examiners attached to the New York State Guard. His services have been called upon by various organizations in the State and city, which is indicative of his popularity.

Walter Edward Bean, son of Charles W. and Mary J. (Beeker) Bean, was born at Troy, New York, December 11, 1894. His education was begun in Public School No. 14, from which he passed into the high school, then Troy Business College and finally to the University of Maryland, there to prepare himself for the dental profession. He was graduated from the university with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1916, returning immediately to Troy to begin practice.

Dr. Bean is a member in the following organizations: National Dental Association, New York State Dental Society, Third District New York State Dental Society, having been secretary since 1920; Psi Omega fraternity, Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Riverside Club, and the Kiwanis Club.

FRANKLIN B. VALENTINE—Left without father and mother at an age when most boys are enjoying many advantages, educational and otherwise, Mr. Valentine has won an enviable success and accomplished much that he set out to do. He has been active in public offices in New York State for some years.

Mr. Valentine is a son of Benjamin Franklin and Mary Ann (Baynes) Valentine, both of whom were natives of England, the father dying when the subject of this sketch was an infant and the mother when he was but eleven years of age. While attending the public schools he earned what he could from the sale of newspapers and has supported himself from the time of his mother's death. In order to obtain an education at the La Salle Institute, he secured employment in a meat market, and when his studies were completed, engaged in that business independently. For a short time he was in partnership with a Mr. Blackburn. During

the time that he engaged in the meat business he was also studying law in the office of Judge Griffith and was admitted to practice in 1903. Very soon afterward he was appointed clerk of the police court, and subsequently was appointed by Mayor Mann as police justice of Troy, and the following year was elected for a term of two years. He was then appointed by the Common Council city clerk of Troy for two years, and resumed his law practice at the expiration of the term. Several years later he was appointed deputy attorney General for the State of New York, serving under Attorney-General Woodbury, and later resumed his practice until February, 1922, when he was appointed to his present office, that of assistant district attorney.

In politics Mr. Valentine is a Republican. In religion he is a member of the First Baptist Church of Troy. He is also a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association. His recreative interest is in golf.

Mr. Valentine married Susan Converse, of Watervliet, New York, and the three children born to them are as follows: Franklin B., Jr., educated in the Troy grammar and high schools and Albany Law School, LL. B., 1922; Marjorie C., graduate of Troy High School, now a student at the State Normal School, in Albany, New York; Ruth Eleanor, now attending the Troy High School.

HERBERT WILLIAM LORENZ—Among the young men of Rensselaer county whose activities are contributing to the general progress along special lines, Herbert W. Lorenz is a leader, as general secretary of the Lansingburg Young Men's Christian Association. With practical experience in the business world immediately following the completion of his studies, the trend of his present progress was detained by his experience in the recent war and his success in his present work well justifies his choice. Mr. Lorenz is a son of Frederick and Sophie (Nack) Lorenz, both living and residents of Fort Hunter, New York; the father was formerly an artist and is now pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Fort Hunter, New York.

Herbert William Lorenz was born in New York City, January 7, 1896. He is a graduate of Public School No. 24, Jersey City, also of Drake's Business College, of the same city, and attended the Dickinson High School, and New York Preparatory School. His first business experience was in the employ of Armour & Company, at Jersey City, whose office he entered in the capacity of clerk. In the short period of two years, during which he was active there, Mr. Lorenz rose to the position of assistant sales manager for the Eastern district, and it was in this connection that the intervention of the United States in the World War found him engaged. Enlisting in November, 1917, he was, after a few months, selected to attend the Officers' Training Camp, at Camp Johnston, Florida, where he was commissioned second lieutenant. He was transferred successively to various camps in Georgia, New York State, including Long Island, New Jersey, and Washington, District of Columbia, altogether serving in eight different camps. The armistice intervening before there was an occasion for his going overseas, he received his hon-

orable discharge from the service in December, 1918. He is at present an officer in the Officers' Reserve Corps. Returning to Jersey City, Mr. Lorenz resumed his position with Armour & Company. He did not remain permanently, however, for during his period of service in the army he had become deeply interested in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, having been religious work director of the Young Men's Christian Association at various camps before enlisting in the army. Even before the war he had spent more or less time in activities of this nature, particularly among boys, and his interest had come to the attention of the officers of the association. In October, 1919, Mr. Lorenz received the appointment as associate boys' secretary of the Newark, New Jersey, Young Men's Christian Association. In September, 1920, he received a call as general secretary of the Lansingburg Young Men's Christian Association, which he accepted, taking over the duties of this office. His work from the beginning has been constructed to a marked degree, and has built up the association, adding to its membership and increasing its general prosperity. In his personal contact with members of the association, and with the public generally, Mr. Lorenz clearly shows the cordial spirit and free interest with which he meets everyone, and this spirit prevades the organization. Mr. Lorenz has always been deeply interested in athletics and in all outdoor sports. He captained the champion baseball team at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, one of the camps where he was stationed during the war, and is an expert in the athletics which the association features. This gives him a common ground of interest with the young men of the city and is a great help to him in his work. To the public generally Mr. Lorenz is the capable and efficient social executive, and is drawing a constantly deeper interest in the work of the association among the people of the community. He is a member of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal Church.

CHARLES B. GRASER—Charles F. Graser, father of Charles B. Graser, was born in Germany in 1841, where he was left an orphan at an early age. At the age of twelve he began to learn the confectioner's trade with his uncle, and at eighteen, having completed his apprenticeship, he decided to come to America, arriving here in 1859. He settled in Brooklyn, New York, and soon became an American citizen. For one year he remained in Brooklyn, in the employ of a confectioner, and in 1860 he removed to Albany, New York, obtaining a position in Braire's celebrated catering and confectionery establishment of that city. In 1867 he opened a fancy bakery and confectionery store on Congress street, Troy, New York, and the establishment founded by him more than a half century ago is still conducted at the same location, and is one of the oldest in Northern New York, where it ranks as a high class establishment. Charles F. Graser died in 1908, but in 1899 he laid down the reins of management of the business and was succeeded by his two sons: Charles B., and William H., the firm name becoming C. F. Graser's Sons. William H. Graser is now deceased and Charles B. Graser, the last

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of this trio of caterers and confectioners to survive, now conducts the business at No. 63 Congress street.

Charles B. Graser, son of Charles F. and Margaret (Toolan) Graser, was born in Albany, New York, May 14, 1864, and in 1867 was brought to Troy by his parents. He was educated in the Christian Brothers' School, and the old Gale School, on Seventh avenue, Troy, receiving a good education. When school years were completed he became his father's assistant at the Congress street store and in time became an expert caterer and confectioner. When the father died, the Graser brothers, Charles B., and William H., succeeded him and continued the business most successfully until the death of William H. Graser, when the entire ownership and management developed upon Charles B. Graser, now one of the best known caterers in his part of the State. Mr. Graser is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church; a charter member of Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; and is highly esteemed in his community.

Mr. Grazer married, October 11, 1887, Mary K. Fitzpatrick, of Troy, New York, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Mac Evan) Fitzpatrick, of Troy, and they are the parents of a son, Charles W., who after finishing his studies in St. Lawrence's Parochial School, entered Troy Business College, there preparing for the business he was to follow. He was trained to the business founded by his grandfather and further developed by his father, and on February 1, 1923, he became a partner of the firm. He married Catherine Sullivan, daughter of Michael and Catherine (McEvoy) Sullivan, of Troy, New York.

WILLIAM A. DUNNE—For the past twenty years Mr. Dunne has been connected in clerical or secretarial position with the government of the city of Troy, through the Board of Education and the schools of the city, having served as clerk, secretary and superintendent. During this period he acquired a legal education and received from the Albany Law School the degree with diploma that entitles him to practice his profession. He was born in Troy, educated in Troy, and has always lived in Troy, a genuine "native son" proud of his birthright. He is a son of James and Mary (Kil-Cullen) Dunne, his parents also present residents of Troy.

William A. Dunne was born in Troy, New York, July 20, 1881. He began his education in Troy Public School No. 12, passed thence to St. Joseph's Academy, and later to La Salle Institute, where he finished with the class of 1900. He then was employed for some time and during that period accomplished the full course at Troy Business College. Deciding upon the law, he entered Albany Law School whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1908. During the years 1904-1905 Mr. Dunne was secretary to Mayor Hogan, of Troy, and from November, 1905, all through his college years and until February, 1912, he was clerk to the Troy Board of Education. From February, 1912, until June, 1913, he was acting superintendent of Troy public

schools, and from June, 1913, until September, 1914, he was the regularly appointed official superintendent of the public schools of the city. In 1914 he was appointed secretary to the Board of Education and in that position continues, a valued official. He is thoroughly familiar with the details of his position, his long connection with the board and schools rendering his equipment perfect for the position he holds.

Mr. Dunne is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Knights of Columbus; St. Joseph's Club; is a Democrat in politics, a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and a director and vice-president of the Troy Tuberculosis Relief Association.

He married, June 5, 1907, Katherine G. Dunn, of Troy, daughter of Michael and Catherine (Walsh) Dunn, and they are the parents of five children: James J., Matthew, Mary, Katherine, and William. The family home is No. 475 First avenue, Troy, New York.

LINCOLN ABRAHAM ORVIS—Having become actively interested in political matters several years previously, and always genuinely concerned for the welfare of children, Mr. Orvis was fittingly chosen to be clerk of the Children's Court when that institution was established in Rensselaer county, New York. Charitable enterprises have always enlisted his attention, and a hard worker from the age of ten, it was to be expected that his appointment to this office would meet with universal favor among his fellow-citizens.

Lincoln Abraham Orvis was born on his father's farm at Dickinson Center, New York, November 12, 1878, a son of Calvin H. and Mary Jane (French) Orvis, both of whom are deceased. Hard at work on the farm when not attending the local district schools, he was no stranger to laborious tasks when, after studying in the village high school and Malone Academy for a time, he was compelled to engage steadily in work of some sort. He first chose railroading and was a trainman at Watertown, New York, for four years, then Albany, New York, as fireman of a locomotive for five years, and later an engineer for thirteen years. In 1907 he had moved to Rensselaer, in Rensselaer county, New York, and interested himself in all that pertained to civic government and politics in general. Three years later he became a Republican County Committeeman and soon after was appointed to the city of Rensselaer charity commission. His next office was that of county supervisor, to which he was reëlected in 1920. The Children's Court of Rensselaer county was established November 1, 1922, and his appointment as the first clerk of the court followed.

As a former railroad man, Mr. Orvis is affiliated with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, and held the offices of president, treasurer and secretary at different times of his local organization; also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is a Free and Accepted Mason, in which order he is a member of Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Forbes Lodge, No. 921, Rensselaer, New York. In the Fellowcraft Club he is

also a member. Whenever occasion permits of his indulging in recreational pursuits he hunts and fishes.

On October 28, 1902, Mr. Orvis was united in marriage with Olive Mable Hopple, a native of Newark, New York, daughter of Henry Hopple, and to this union two children were born: La Verne, who completed the public school courses and is now studying engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; and Elizabeth G., attending Rensselaer High School.

JAMES W. SMITH, LL.B.—In legal circles in Rensselaer county, New York, Mr. Smith holds a position of large prominence, but his reputation is by no means limited to local professional circles. His practice is such that he is called to many parts of the country, and he has become extensively known as a successful corporation lawyer. Mr. Smith comes of an old Rensselaer county family, and is a son of William E. and Fannie (Lang) Smith.

James W. Smith was born in Troy, New York, March 29, 1885. He took up his elementary studies in the public schools, and is a graduate of Grammar School No. 14, also of the Troy High School, class of 1905. Early choosing the profession in which he has won distinction, he entered Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1907, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Mr. Smith served his clerkship in the offices of the late Samuel Foster and John B. Holmes. He began his independent practice in the year 1908. Following general lines for a time, he had occasion to familiarize himself very minutely with certain phases of corporation law. For a number of years now his work has been almost wholly within this realm. He numbers among his clients insurance corporations and other concerns of equal standing.

Mr. Smith is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, Troy Club, and Rotary Club, of Troy, New York. He is a member and officer of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church and the Young Men's Christian Association of Troy. Fraternally he holds membership in King Solomon Primitive Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, of Troy, New York; and in the Scottish Rite is a member of Delta Lodge of Perfection, Delta Council, Delta Chapter of Rose-Croix and Albany Consistory, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret; and also is a member of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Troy.

Mr. Smith married, in 1911, Helen L. Ewing, daughter of William and Clara (Liberton) Ewing, of Norwalk, Connecticut, and they have one son, William E. Smith. Mr. Smith resides at No. 37 Belle avenue, Troy, New York.

ROBERT H. HILL—In an interesting and largely useful branch of business activity, Robert H. Hill, of Troy, New York, stands at the head of a thriving interest in the production of blue prints and the sale of drawing materials, also doing mimeographing. Mr. Hill is counted

among the representative young men of the day in Rensselaer county and his success is undoubtedly assured. He is a son of Thomas Hill, a prominent citizen of Troy.

Robert H. Hill was born in Troy, New York, July 17, 1891. His education was begun in the public schools, which he attended until the age of fourteen years. Then securing a position as office boy in the employ of J. S. Bache & Company, financial brokers, he started out upon his career. His ambitions, however, were along other lines, and while he was thus employed he took up engineering and drafting. He was thereafter, for two years, with the Federal Railway Signal Works, and later was in the employ in the engineering department of the New York Central railway, where he continued until May, 1914. For three years, 1914 to 1917, he continued in signal engineering work for the western and southern railroads. During World War, 1917, and until 1921, he was in the Ordnance Department, in Washington, District of Columbia. In 1921 he established his present business, the production of blue prints for the commercial demand, and in the work of mimeographing, also in the commercial way, Mr. Hill found opportunity and scope for a large and useful business, handling also drawing material and draftsmen's supplies. He developed a very prosperous business, and in June, 1922, the business was incorporated. Mr. Hill is president and treasurer of the organization, and Prudence Hill, his wife, is vice-president. Their headquarters are in the Pioneer building, at No. 30 Second street, and to-day they are doing a very large business, being the only establishment of the kind in the city of Troy. They do all the blue printing for architects, contractors, and industrial organizations in Troy and vicinity, doing business under the firm name of Robert H. Hill & Company. Mr. Hill is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is fraternally identified with Mount Zion Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Robert H. Hill married, October 8, 1913, Prudence Streever, of Troy, daughter of Thomas and Prudence (Higgitt) Streever. Mr. and Mrs. Hill have two children: Prudence Roberta, now attending Public School No. 13; and Thomas, in kindergarten. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are members of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

JOHN CHARLES DONNELLY is one of the most prominent insurance men in the city of Troy—a recognized realty expert, and in length of service in his line there are few who equal him. Not only has he served his private interests in a manner wholly successful, but also the interests of his community as a public official. Mr. Donnelly is the son of Thomas J. and Marie E. (Curley) Donnelly, of Troy, both deceased. His father was the senior member of the firm of Donnelly Brothers (James W. Donnelly being the other member), wine merchants, of this city, which was established in 1869 and was in existence for over fifty years. The firm specialized in sacramental wines, and their business extended to all parts of the United States. They also dealt extensively in real estate, having large property interests in the city. Marie E.

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John C. Donnelly.

(Curley) Donnelly was the daughter of James Curley, a prominent citizen of the Seventh Ward.

Born in the Seventh Ward of Troy, New York, November 7, 1873, Mr. Donnelly was educated in the public schools and later at Fordham University. After completing this preliminary schooling, he entered the Albany Law School and graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1896. After graduation, not desiring to embrace the legal profession, he became associated with the firm of Donnelly Brothers, where he remained for two years, until 1898, when he entered the real estate and fire insurance business. In 1905 he established the firm of Donnelly & O'Connell, with offices at No. 14 State street, Troy, New York. This agency is one of the largest in the city and one of the best known in Northern New York.

His activity in political circles began in 1901, when he was elected alderman in the Seventh Ward, of Troy, as an independent Democrat, the first holding such views to be elected to that office in a great many years. He was reëlected in 1903 and again in 1905. While serving on the Board of Aldermen he was a member of many important committees. In 1907 he was the Democratic candidate for the office of city comptroller, but suffered defeat by a narrow margin. In 1913 he was elected general assessor and reëlected in 1917, giving him eight years of service in that capacity and two years as chairman of the board.

In September, 1919, Mr. Donnelly was elected chairman of the Rennsselaer County Democratic Committee, and as the executive head of the Democratic organization, he directed the affairs of that body in a conspicuously successful manner until he resigned on account of pressure of business obligations. In January, 1922, Mayor Fleming appointed Mr. Donnelly commissioner of parks, which position he still occupies. On three different occasions Mr. Donnelly was elected president of the Troy Board of Fire Underwriters and represented that body as a delegate to State conventions at different times until that corporation was absorbed by the State Board of Underwriters at Syracuse. Mr. Donnelly is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. At one time he was a member of several local clubs and organizations, notably the Laureate Boat Club, where he was prominent in athletics and amateur theatricals, but of late years he has devoted himself exclusively to business pursuits. In religion he is a Roman Catholic, a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Donnelly resides at No. 2179 Fifth avenue, Troy, New York, and during the summer season at Sandlake, New York.

Mr. Donnelly married Mary C. Burney, a native of Waterford, New York, daughter of Michael and Catharine (Monohan) Burney. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly are the parents of one daughter, Mildred Donnelly, who was educated in the Sacred Heart Convent. at Kenwood, and the Emma Willard School.

MORGAN R. KITTELL—An interesting figure in the business life of Troy, New York, is Morgan R. Kittell, who is well-known among farmers and stockmen in the vicinity of this city, having been for thirty years active in the feed business. From 1918 to 1923 he was harbor mas-

ter of Troy. A practical man, with long years of practical usefulness to his credit, he is highly esteemed by all who know him. Mr. Kittell comes of an old family of Saratoga county, New York, and is a son of Edward and Rachael (Deyo) Kittell, farming people of Walton, in that county, for many years, both now long since deceased. The mother is a native of Columbia county, New York.

Morgan R. Kittell was born on the homestead farm in Walton, Saratoga county, New York, June 17, 1856, and his education was limited to the advantages of the country schools near his home, which he attended with more or less regularity, according as the seasons made him useful about the place. Gifted with a mental alertness which has made every experience a means of educational gain, he has made his way in the world and has achieved more than incidental success. As a boy and youth he worked on the farm with his father or about the neighborhood, and later was employed variously in a business way until 1881. He then came to Troy, where he was employed in connection with the construction of the present water system of the city. Thereafter entering the feed business in Troy, Mr. Kittell was active in this field of mercantile endeavor for more than thirty years. In 1918 he was appointed harbor master of Troy, serving until the fall of that year, and by re-appointment in March, 1921, served until February 1, 1923. He fulfilled the duties of this office with fidelity and excellent judgment, and among those who are interested in shipping activities he is considered broadly fitted for that position. Having brought to this work many years of practical business experience, he applied to his duties in this connection the sound business principles which gave him his individual success, and his genial spirit won for him countless friends. Mr. Kittell is a member of the Troy Republican Club, and fraternally is identified with Lansingburg Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons. He is interested in all civic and benevolent progress, but has never sought or desired leadership along any line of public endeavor. Mr. Kittell is an elder in Olivet Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Kittell married Fannie Ludwig, of Troy, and they are the parents of four children: LeRoy, who was educated in the Troy public schools, married Lottie Aldridge, and has one child, Howard; Harold, who married Marion Barry, and has one child, LeRoy; Frances, the wife of Albert Arnold; and Florence, who still resides at home.

THOMAS P. HUXTABLE—A promising young attorney of Troy, New York, is Thomas P. Huxtable, whose professional activities have brought him into the public notice since the war in which he bore a part. His ability has been recognized in legal circles and also in the county administration, and he is now serving as deputy sheriff of Rensselaer county. Mr. Huxtable comes of a widely prominent family in this county, and is the son of William L. Huxtable, who has for many years been identified with the United States Arsenal at Watervliet, New York. The mother, Katherine (Palmer) Huxtable, is also living, and they are prominent residents of Troy.

Thomas P. Huxtable was born in Troy, New York, May 4, 1895. His

education was begun in Public School No. 12, and he is a graduate of Troy High School, class of 1914. His choice of a profession early made, he entered Albany Law School and was graduated in the class of 1917, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, serving his clerkship in the law office of Hon. John J. Mackerel, who is now first deputy to the Secretary of State. Mr. Huxtable was admitted to the bar of the State of New York in July, 1918. During this same month, however, he enlisted for service in the World War, as a private, joining the 32nd Service Corps, United States Signal Corps; thus his professional activity was delayed until the close of hostilities. He served at College Station and Fort Sam Houston, both in Texas, remaining in that State until receiving his discharge in January, 1919. Upon his return to Troy Mr. Huxtable opened his law office at No. 297 River street, and has gained an assured footing in his chosen profession. On January 1, 1922, he was appointed deputy sheriff of Rensselaer county and still serves in this office.

A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Huxtable is considered one of the future men of that party in Troy. Mr. Huxtable is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and fraternally is identified with Troy Post, American Legion, also was a charter member of Van Rensselaer Post, American Legion. He is also a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is past lecturing knight. He is single, and his chief recreation is baseball.

EDWARD T. HEALD—In the city of Troy, New York, as in every present day municipality, the work of the Young Men's Christian Association is rated at its true value, as one of the most important influences for civic advancement, as well as for the personal welfare of the young men who meet together in the organization. Few associations, perhaps, are in more closely intimate touch with the general work of the association the world over than the Troy "Y," for in their general secretary, Edward T. Heald, they have been fortunate enough to secure one of the leaders in "Y" work in Europe during the recent war.

Mr. Heald is a descendant of Revolutionary patriots, the family many generations in New England, the line descending through Abel Ebenezer Prescott Heald and Charles Thaddeus Heald. Charles Heald, son of Charles Thaddeus Heald, and father of Edward T. Heald, is a graduate of Harvard University School of Law, and was for many years a practicing attorney and counselor-at-law, first, in the West and later, in Troy, but is now retired from active practice. Charles Heald married Mary Cowles Penfield, who also comes of early Colonial ancestry.

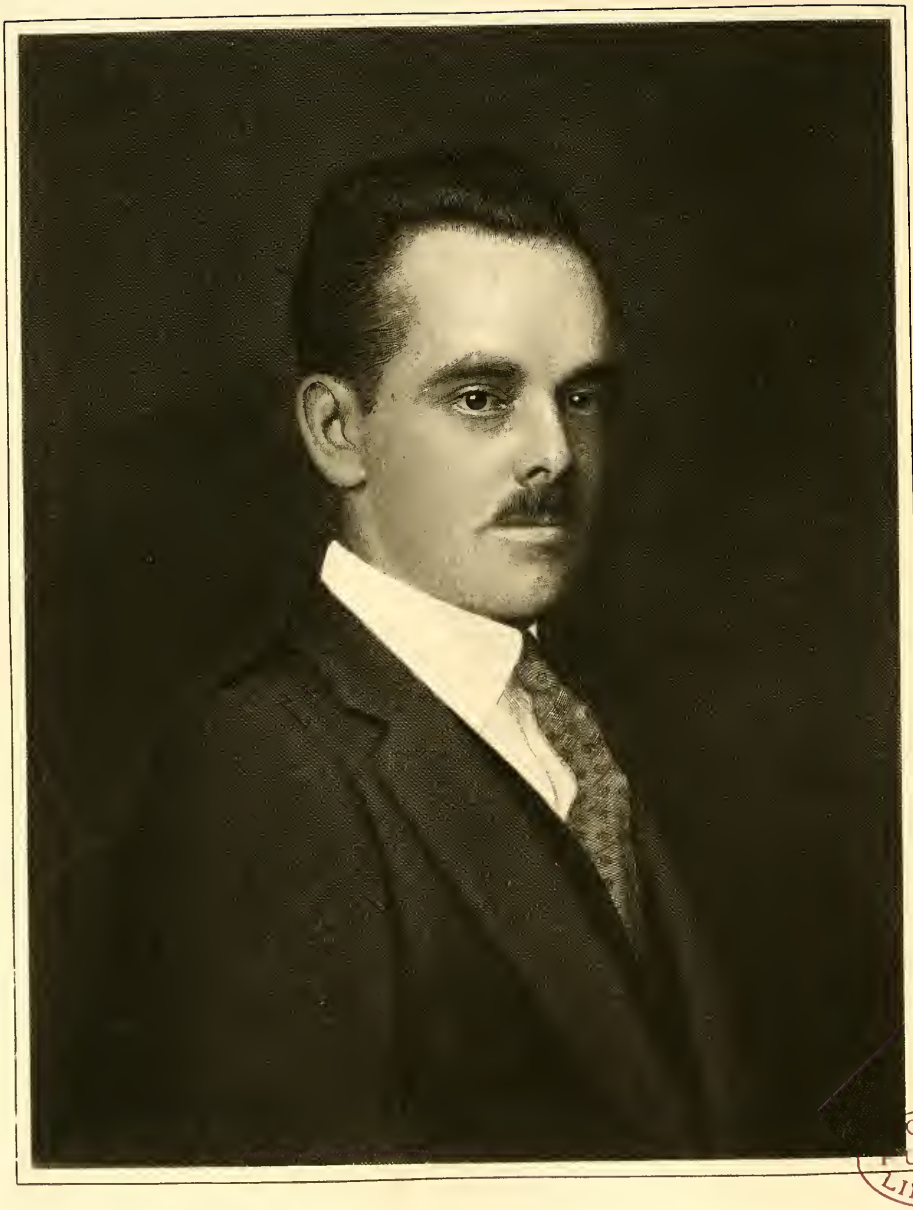
Edward T. Heald was born at Portland, Oregon, September 20, 1885. His early education was received in the public schools in the West and later entering Oberlin College, at Oberlin, Ohio, he was graduated from that institution in 1907, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For a time he was employed by the Avery Company, of Peoria, Illinois, but in 1908 he became a student secretary at the Young Men's Christian Associa-

tion at Colorado Springs, where he remained for two years. Then becoming student secretary at the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, Kansas, he spent one year there. In 1911 he was appointed assistant general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Toledo, Ohio, where he was active until 1914. In the latter year he went to Davenport, Iowa, as general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. It was here that the World War found him and he was given leave of absence from the Davenport Association, first, one year, but later, the leave was extended for three years. During this period Mr. Heald was constantly active in the European countries. He was in Russia and Siberia for many months, working in Petrograd from November, 1916, until June, 1917, doing association work among prisoners. It was during this period that the Revolution was precipitated in Russia, the Czar dethroned, and the power of the Bolshevist gained the ascendant. In July and August of 1917, Mr. Heald established the first "Y" War Unit at Minsk, Russia, and from September, 1917, until February, 1918, he had charge of all the "Y" activities in Ukraine, Russia. Then in May, 1918, he went across Siberia to Vladivostock, where he had charge not only of the Czecho-Slovak Army Young Men's Christian Association work, but also of eighteen other allied army "Y"s. While in that region he was decorated with the war cross of the Czecho-Slovakian Republic, this distinction having been given to only five other American Young Men's Christian Association workers. In November, 1918, Mr. Heald was appointed National Young Men's Christian Association secretary for Western Siberia, with headquarters at Omsk, Siberia. He returned to this country, arriving on July 4, 1919, having spent almost three years in Russia, and went at once to the association in Davenport, Iowa, where he remained until October, 1921. He then accepted the appointment as general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Troy, New York. His work in this connection has revealed the enthusiasm and the excellent judgment which made him so successful abroad, and he has won the esteem and confidence of the people of Troy.

Mr. Heald is a member of the Troy Club; the Troy Chamber of Commerce, serving on the educational committee; the Green Mountain Club; is a member of the General Secretarys' Association of the United States, which he served on the membership and educational committees; and is a member of the Rotary Club of Troy. His fraternal affiliation is with Trinity Lodge, No. 208, Free and Accepted Masons, of Davenport, Iowa, and he is also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution through his paternal line. Mr. Heald is a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Heald married, on October 10, 1910, Emily Ainsworth, who was formerly a resident of Moline, Illinois, daughter of Charles H. and Mary (Perkins) Ainsworth, of Moline, Illinois. Mrs. Heald is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution through the Ainsworth family.

ARLINGTON JAMES SEELEY—Very successful in the practice of chiropractic in the city of Troy, New York, where he has been residing since 1913, Mr. Seeley is a son of James H. and Margaret (Arm-



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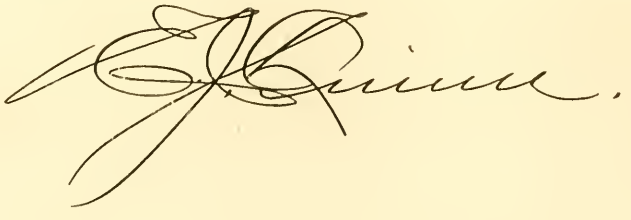

strong) Seeley, and was born on a farm in Isabella county, Michigan, September 5, 1885.

Arlington James Seeley was first a pupil in District School No. 1, of Vernon township, Isabella county, Michigan, and later pursued a preparatory course at Ferris Institute. Following that he entered the Chiropractic College, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and graduated as a Doctor of Chiropractic in March, 1913. Then he began to practice his profession in Troy, New York, and sometime later took a post-graduate course at the Universal School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa. In 1919 he opened a Chiropractic Sanitarium at Round Lake, New York, which was the first of its kind to be opened in the United States, and which he conducted until December, 1921, at which time he discontinued on account of his professional duties in Troy and Cohoes.

Mr. Seeley is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Independent Order of Foresters; and a charter member of the New York State Chiropractors' Society, of which he was a director in 1915 and 1916, and has been district director since 1920.

Mr. Seeley was united in marriage with Ruth Olive Fargo, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, daughter of Nelson E. and Evelyn (Munyon) Fargo, and a niece of one of the founders of the Wells Fargo Express Company. To this union two children were born: Arlington James, Jr., born April 22, 1915; Evelyn Margaret, born August 14, 1917. The family residence is at No. 73 Remsen street, Cohoes, New York.

EDWARD J. QUINN—Favored with an excellent location in the city of Troy, New York, the E. J. Quinn Company, Inc., of which Mr. Quinn is president and treasurer, is among the leading automobile agencies of the city. He is a son of Thomas Quinn, a contractor, who died in 1892, and Mary Ann (Rafferty) Quinn, who is still living.

Edward J. Quinn was born at Troy, New York, April 10, 1891, where he received a public school education. From the time of leaving school until 1916 he was engaged in the tailoring business, and then became an automobile salesman. A few years later (in 1920) he started a business of his own in this line, which was incorporated in November, 1922, Edward J. Quinn being elected president and treasurer, John F. Quinn, secretary, and Ethel G. Quinn, vice-president. Until the time of incorporating, Mr. Quinn was agent for the Scripps-Booth car, but at present has the agency for all Rensselaer county for the Chandler and Cleveland cars. The company also carries a complete assortment of automobile accessories.

Mr. Quinn is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Troy; and of the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree; also a member of the Commercial Travelers' Association; and of St. Paul the Apostle Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Quinn married Ethel Ratigan, of Troy, New York, daughter of Dennis and Ann (McCormack) Ratigan. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn are the parents of two children: Edward, Jr., and Ann. The family residence is at 2311 Fifteenth street.

STANTON P. LEE located in Troy, New York, and after service in the office of the local architects, M. F. Cummings & Sons, he opened an office under his own name in 1902, and during the two decades that have elapsed has won leading position among the architects of the section embraced within a radius of fifty miles, with Troy as a center. Of late years he has specialized in residential architecture, and in Troy there are many homes that owe their architectural beauty and surroundings to his genius and cultivated tastes. He was born in the capital city of the Empire State, August 7, 1875, son of Charles H. and Emily J. (Ocumpaugh) Lee, both deceased, his father an expert cabinet-maker.

In 1880 Troy became the family home, and there Stanton P. Lee obtained a good education in the public schools and Troy Academy. He early showed a liking and a talent for architecture and pursued a course in design and architecture at Philadelphia. Returning to Troy, he became an employee of M. F. Cummings & Sons, architects, and continued with that well-known firm until 1902, when he began his individual professional career. The years have brought Mr. Lee reputation as an architect of skill and ability, also the emoluments of a profession that well reward her successful sons. He has planned and supervised the erection of some of the important buildings of the city and many fine residences. Among the large buildings of the city that will long commemorate his skill as an architect are the following: Annex to Public School No. 16; the First Baptist Church; and the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Lansingburg. Among the fine residences which he has planned and built are: The W. B. Frear; E. H. Warren; W. P. Dauchey, and Powers Home for Old Ladies.

Mr. Lee is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce; the Rotary and Troy clubs; the First Presbyterian Church of Lansingburg; and is a man thoroughly respected as a citizen, and is highly regarded professionally.

Mr. Lee married, May 27, 1905, Emily C. Downes, of Wilmington, Delaware, and they are the parents of two sons: Stanton P. and Bennett Downes Lee. Mr. Lee's offices are at Nos. 301-302 Proctor building, the family home at No. 33 Lakewood place. Mr. Lee's life has been one of usefulness, and he can review his career with the satisfaction that comes from duty well performed.

ABRAHAM CHARLES GOLDSTEIN, LL. B., who is now one of the representative lawyers of the younger group of Troy, New York, was born in New York City, November 15, 1896, and is a son of the late Max and Mary (Goldman) Goldstein, the mother still living. The family removing to the city of Troy when Mr. Goldstein was three years of age, his education was begun in the public schools of this city and he was later graduated from Troy High School, in the class of 1915. His choice of a profession already made, he entered Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1919, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. His practice, however, was delayed on account of his military service, which interrupted his law course.

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John F. Williams

Enlisting in the United States Navy on July 24, 1918, Mr. Goldstein was assigned to the Pelham Training School, at Pelham Bay, New York, and later served on the United States Steamships, "Pillsbury" and "No. A," both destroyers. Serving in this connection until December 24, 1918, Mr. Goldstein was transferred to the Naval Reserve, in which he served until July, 1922, when he received his honorable discharge. After graduation from law school in 1919, Mr. Goldstein took up the practice of law with John F. and William H. Murray, attorneys, of Troy, New York, until January, 1922, when he entered upon the general practice of law, with offices at No. 5 State street, and although not yet a year has passed since that date, he has gained an assured footing in his profession and is counted among the broadly promising young men of the day in this city. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and the Epsilon Chapter of the Phi Sigma Delta fraternity. He is trustee of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, of Troy, New York. Mr. Goldstein's chief recreation is music, and he is especially interested in instrumental music. In high school he was a member of the orchestra, as well as active in athletics, including the track team. In the navy he acted as bugler on both the steamships "Pillsbury" and "No. A," and he is now first cornetist in Noble-Callahan Post, American Legion band, and is a popular member of this post. Mr. Goldstein is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 141, of Troy; and King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Mr. Goldstein married, June 17, 1923, Satee Dorothy Grotsky, daughter of Morris and Bella Grotsky, of Troy, New York.

JOHN FRANCIS WILLIAMS—In one of the most practical lines of business endeavor, Mr. Williams has long been active in the city of Troy, New York, and is now the owner and manager of the interest of which his father was founder. Mr. Williams is the son of James R. and Margaret E. (Smith) Williams, both now deceased. They were the parents of five children: John Francis, of further mention; Daisy M., deceased; George Henry, who takes care of the farm; Mary Irving, and Grace Elizabeth. James R. Williams, father of John Francis, was one of the early transfer men of Troy. He started his business about 1860 in a small way, with one team of horses and a wagon. He carried on the business for many years alone, then, when his sons came to an age where they could be of use to him, he received them into the firm, and the name of J. R. Williams & Sons became one of the most familiar in the teaming and trucking business in this city. Since the death of the father the business has been conducted by the sons, John F. and George H. Williams.

John Francis Williams was born in Troy, New York, July 7, 1885. His education was begun in the public schools of the city, and he later attended the district school of the town of North Greenbush, and finished at the Troy Business College. From boyhood interested in the work in which his father was engaged, he entered the business upon completing his course at business college and was active for several years in

that connection. Later, for a short time, he was in the employ of the New York Central railroad as foreman, then returned to the interest of which his father was the head and with which he has been continuously connected since. From the early beginnings, when only horse-drawn vehicles were used, through the advent of the automobile and its early developments to the time when it became the permanent vehicle of commerce, Mr. Williams has kept pace with the march of progress, holding a position among the leaders in his field of activity. He does all kinds of transfer business and local and long distance trucking, and has also for years done a prosperous business in the distribution of ice.

Mr. Williams has been active more or less in the public service, and has served one term as supervisor from North Greenbush, this term expiring January 1, 1922. In November, 1921, Mr. Williams was elected sheriff of Rensselaer county for a term of three years, and took up the duties of office on January 1, 1922. He has taken up the work of this responsible position with large ability and characteristic energy, and the people feel that it is in good hands. Mr. Williams is a member of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Masonic Club. His chief recreation is driving horses. He is a great lover and admirer of horses and has a stable of unusually fine stock. For a number of years, on the Burden Farm, where the family has resided for nearly thirty years, the brothers have conducted a dairy business, and are breeders of Holstein cattle, carrying about fifty head, which is considered one of the best herds in the county. Mr. Williams is affiliated with the Republican party; and his religious affiliation is as a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church.

PHILIP MICHAEL PURCELL—The family to which Mr. Purcell belongs has the distinction of having been among the first to settle in Troy, New York, the birthplace of the subject of this sketch. His parents were John C. and Joanna (Williams) Purcell, and they moved to this city in 1840, the father having died here in 1906 and the mother in 1907. Mr. Purcell had been identified with several industrial enterprises prior to establishing himself in the undertaking business, in which he is now engaged.

Philip Michael Purcell was born June 27, 1874, and after attending St. Joseph's School he continued his education in the old Public School No. 12. When he left school the printing trade seemed to offer him the advantages for which he was seeking, so he learned the trade and stuck to it for a number of years. He was one of a group of five printers who started the Troy "Morning Telegram," continuing to associate himself with that journal for some time. In January, 1900, he became the chief clerk in the city water department, where he remained until 1904, and then engaged in the insurance business as one of the firm of Purcell, Chase & Brown. This relationship continued until 1916, at which time he left the firm to become a funeral director.

In January, 1923, Mr. Purcell was appointed harbor master of the New York State Barge Canal Terminal and Grain Elevator at Troy by

Governor Smith. He was a member for many years of the Edmond Stanton Steamer Company and until its dissolution. Mr. Purcell is active in the councils of the Democratic party, of which he has always been a faithful member, and his counsel carries considerable weight. He is a communicant in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, being also a member of the church club, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Purcell was united in marriage, April 16, 1913, with Nora Crough, of this city, daughter of Jeremiah and Mary (Quillinan) Crough. Two children were born to this union: Mary T. and Philip J.

CAPTAIN JAMES A. McCARTHY—Captain McCarthy, a veteran of the war with Germany, 1917-18, is a native son, and save for "time out" during his military service, 1916-1919, Troy has been his home. The war interrupted his legal studies and changed his whole current of his life, but he has adjusted himself to these changed conditions and is now one of the officials of the city which has been his life-time home.

James A. McCarthy, son of Cornelius and Anna (Hurley) McCarthy, the latter still a resident of Troy (1923), was born in Troy, New York, June 24, 1893, his father a well known insurance man of Troy until his death. The son, James A. McCarthy, after attendance at St. Patrick's Academy, entered La Salle Institute, whence he was graduated with the class of 1909. Later, he became a student at Albany Law School, Union University, but the World War interrupted his legal study and he did not graduate, neither has he returned to professional life, but instead entered business life, and after engaging for time in the mill supply business, established an insurance and bonding agency in Troy, which he has successfully continued since September, 1922.

On June 23, 1916, Mr. McCarthy, then a law student, enlisted as a private in the Second Regiment, New York National Guard, and the following July was made a corporal. In March, 1917, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and sent to the officers' Training Camp at Madison Barracks. In August, 1917, he was commissioned second lieutenant and assigned to duty with the 49th Regiment, United States army. On November 30, 1917, he was commissioned first lieutenant, and sent overseas in July, 1918, and served in France with the 1st, 2nd, 42nd, and 83rd divisions of the American Expeditionary Forces, and G-5, General Headquarters. After the armistice, he remained as part of the Army of Occupation, as superintendent of buildings, General Headquarters, of the Third Army. On September 13, 1919, he returned to the United States, having resigned his commission. On his return home to Troy, he organized Company D, 105th Machine Gun Company, that company being now a part of the Second Regiment, New York National Guard, James A. McCarthy, captain. Thus Captain McCarthy returns as a company commander to the regiment in which he began his military career as a private, January 23, 1916.

In November, 1921, Captain McCarthy was elected assessor for Troy, his term beginning January 1, 1922, to expire four years later, December

31, 1925. He is a member of the Troy Post, American Legion, and a past commander (1923); past commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars; president of the Tibbetts Cadets, of Troy; vice-president of the Alumni Association of La Salle Institute; the Laureate Boat Club; Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; St. Peter's Lyceum; and is a communicant of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy.

Captain James A. McCarthy married, August 28, 1917, Grace A. Hanley, daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Flaherty) Hanley, of Cohoes, New York, and they have a son, James Joseph. Captain McCarthy's offices are in the Times building, his home is at No. 369 Eighth street, Troy. He is widely known and very popular.

PHILIP JOSEPH CIRILLO—A native of Italy, Mr. Cirillo has won a high place in the esteem of his countrymen living in Troy, New York, where he is sought by the majority of them for legal advice. His practice is not confined to any group, however, as the results of years of struggle with adverse conditions have brought him to the attention of his community.

Philip Joseph Cirillo is a son of Abel and Mary (Cusco) Cirillo, and was born in the village of Candela, Province of Foggia, Italy, July 19, 1886. The parents are now living in Troy, New York, and were the parents of six other children, who are: Anchise, a student in the medical school at the University of Vermont; Edward, a teacher at La Salle Institute; Abel M., a student in Troy High School; Elda, who married Fedele Leone, at Long Beach, Long Island; Mary, graduate of Troy High School and Business College, who married John Rotondo, at Troy, New York; Louise, now a student in the Troy Conservatory of Music as a violinist. Each of these brothers and sisters have received help from Philip J. to secure their education.

Until 1897 Mr. Cirillo attended the public schools in Italy, but his education was interrupted owing to the family's coming to America. They settled at Troy, and at the age of eleven this boy immediately found employment, though at the same time attending Public School No. 8. When he was prepared, he entered St. Joseph's Academy, and graduated later in a business course, earning a living when not in school, and with the knowledge thus gained he obtained a position as bookkeeper and retained it until 1909. Having saved out of his earnings sufficient funds to pay for a course in law at the Albany Law School, he studied there and was graduated in 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Following his graduation, he was employed in the law office of Abbott H. Jones, and admitted to the bar March 6, 1914, practicing since in this city. He is also the senior member of the law firm of Cirillo, Tate & La Rosa, with offices at Nos. 19-21 North Pearl street, Albany, New York.

Mr. Cirillo is affiliated with the following organizations: Knights of Columbus, in which he is past chancellor; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Troy; American Bar Association; New York State Bar Association; Rensselaer County Bar Association; Sons of Italy;

district grand deputy of the Columbus Social Club, which he organized and served as president; Troy Dramatic Club, in which he is very active; Troy Chamber of Commerce, as a member of the educational committee; Credit Union of Albany, New York, and is its honorary chairman; and is also honorary president of St. Anthony's Lyceum, of Troy, New York. He is a Republican in politics, and has served as chairman of his district committee for the past seventeen years. He is trustee of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy.

WILLIAM LIPPMANN—One of the very well known business men of Troy, New York, is William Lippmann, who since 1901 has been engaged in business there as a merchant tailor, and who since 1912 has held the official position of sealer of weights and measures for the city of Troy.

Born in Lobsens, Germany, July 1, 1856, William Lippmann is a son of Schie and Blume W. (Wolff) Lippmann. He attended school in his native city until he was eleven years of age and then began learning the tailor's trade in his father's shop. He became a journeyman tailor, and when fifteen years of age came to the United States to familiarize himself with the language and customs of the country. For two years he worked at his trade in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and then, in 1873, when he was seventeen years of age, went to Troy, New York. He at once went to work at his trade and for twenty-eight years was employed in various tailor shops. At the end of that time, in 1901, he engaged in the tailoring business for himself in Troy, and since that time he has been steadily building up a large and profitable trade. Meantime, while still working at his trade, in the employ of others, he had become prominent in the activities of the tailors' union, and one of the leaders in Rensselaer county. When eighteen years of age he joined the Journeyman Tailors' Union and soon became one of its most prominent members, holding, at different times, every office in the local union. He was a delegate in the national convention which changed the name of the Journeyman Tailor's Union to the International Journeyman Tailors' Union; was general organizer for the State of New York and for his district at the same time; and was a candidate for the State secretaryship, losing the election by only three votes. He served as a delegate to all of the State and National conventions.

Politically he has always given his support to the principles and the candidates of the Democratic party. He has taken an active interest in public affairs and has been willing to bear his share of the public burden. During President Cleveland's second term he was appointed deputy United States marshal, and he was also appointed, in 1912, sealer of weights and measures for the city of Troy. The latter official position he has continued to hold to the present time. Mr. Lippmann has always been active in Hebrew affairs. He is a member of the Independent Order Free Sons of Israel, in which order he has held every office in the local organization, serving as president, as delegate to conventions, and for the past fifteen years as secretary and treasurer. He has also held

all offices from president down in the Order of the Sons of Benjamin. Returning from a convention of that order held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1898, he was presented with a beautiful gold watch, and a year later, with a gold medal for his great activities in his lodge.

In the Order of B'rith Abraham he has served as president and as chairman on laws, having been elected in Chicago, in 1907, and for four years was chairman of that committee, and in 1921 he was made chairman on the Reserve Fund. He is a charter member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and has served as secretary of the board of directors. He is also a member of Reine Lodge, No. 248, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which organization he is a past noble grand, and he was captain of the degree team which did work all over New York State.

William Lippmann married, on January 16, 1876, Bertha Friedlander, of Zirka, Germany, and they are the parents of six children: Sidney, who received his education in Troy, and married Minnie Cohen, and has one child, Richard; Majorie, who died at the age of two years; Joseph, who received his education in Troy, and married Bessie Alexander, and has one child, Majorie; Rosa; Emanuel; Arthur, who married Blanche Marks, of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. All of the sons are members of the Masonic order, and Rosa is a member of the Eastern Star.

WILLIAM EDWARD CLARK, architect, was born in Troy, New York, October 2, 1881, the son of Francis E. and Anna (Braun) Clark, both of whom are deceased. After receiving his early and preparatory education in the schools and architect's offices of Troy, he engaged in the architectural profession for himself, having his principal office in Troy, and has designed and supervised the construction of many important buildings within the city and surrounding territory, such as schools, hospitals, mercantile buildings, residences, etc. Fraternally he is affiliated with Phoenix Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters.

On August 23, 1909, William E. Clark married Delia B. Stone of Cohoes, New York, daughter of Charles and Agnes (Roy) Stone, of Cohoes, New York. The family residence is at No. 474 Second avenue, North Troy.

J. T. HOPKINS HOGAN, M. D.—Among the surgeons on the staff of the Troy Hospital, New York, is Dr. Hogan, whose skill in this particular branch of the profession is especially noted in nose and throat surgery, and he is an assistant in that department of the hospital. His parents, both of whom are deceased, were Patrick and Mary (Hopkins) Hogan. The father was born at Waterford, Ireland, and brought to this country at the age of five. He was among the gold prospectors in California during the memorable days of early prospecting parties in the West, and later became a coal merchant at Troy, New York.

J. T. Hopkins Hogan was born at Troy, New York, January 27, 1888,

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where he commenced his education at St. Patrick's School and La Salle Institute, and completed it later at the Albany Medical College, where he graduated, in 1914, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He was an interne at the Troy Hospital in 1915, and then took post-graduate work at the New York Polyclinic Hospital. He began to practice medicine in 1916, but was hardly established before the declaration of war with Germany by this country caused him to enlist in the United States army. He was commissioned a first lieutenant June 2, 1917, and after a short period of study at Washington, District of Columbia, was transferred overseas. He was one of the two hundred and ninety surgeons first to reach the British front, where he served throughout the war, and was wounded at St. Quentin. He had been promoted to captain on March 21, 1918, and after receiving his wound was sent to a hospital at Rouen, France, and then to hospitals in England. His two years of service culminated with his return to this country July 4, 1919, and his medical practice resumed in the fall of that year.

Dr. Hogan is a member of the following: New York State Medical Society; Rensselaer County Medical Society; American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Knights of Columbus; and the Troy Rod and Gun Club. He is a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church.

QUINCY H. BALL, as the proprietor and manager of the Oldsmobile Sales and Service Company, of Troy, New York, holds a widely prominent position in the automobile business in Rensselaer county. He has been identified with motor cars since entering the business world, and during the greater part of the time has represented leading makes as salesman or sales manager at various points in the East. Mr. Ball is a son of Freeon and Mary (Warner) Ball, for many years esteemed citizens of Iowa in the farming sections of that State.

Quincy H. Ball was born on the farm at Charlotte, Iowa, and as a young lad met with various conditions in life. Up to the time he was about seven years of age, his father was considered one of the very wealthy men of Iowa. Within the next two years the conditions governing farming operations in that State were so adverse that when the boy was about nine years of age his father was among the poorest men of the State. The lad, not waiting for his father to regain his footing, struck out for himself and has been self-supporting since the age of about nine year. For this reason his education was limited to his attendance at the neighborhood schools of Charlotte, and when still a young boy he was taking a man's place on the farm. It was not for long, however, that he continued at the drudgery of farm life, for in 1899 he entered the automobile business in association with the Locomobile Company of America, as a mechanic. Three years later he left their employ to become identified with the Prescott Automobile Company, of Passaic, New Jersey, with which concern he continued for two years or thereabouts. In 1907 Mr. Ball was filling a responsible position with the Green Motor Company, of Newark, New Jersey, this concern handling the Oldsmobile and Locomobile cars. From that time to the present

Mr. Ball has been affiliated with the Oldsmobile Company through one connection or another. About 1910 he was with the Cutting & Larson Company of New York City, Oldsmobile representatives, as salesman, and in 1913 he went on the road for this concern as salesman and wholesale manager. The city of Troy and Rensselaer county were included in the territory controlled by this concern. at that time and covered by Mr. Ball in his travels. In 1919 Mr. Ball took over this territory as agent for the Oldsmobile, opening his headquarters in October of that year at his present address, No. 199 Sixth Avenue, North. He has since handled only Oldsmobile cars and supplies in his sales department, but he has also a very complete and finely-equipped service station. His headquarters comprise a one-floor building, 50x125 feet in ground dimensions, giving about 12,500 square feet of floor space, and his territory includes Troy and Rensselaer county. An able and aggressive business man, possessed of a genial spirit which counts so far in successful commercial activities and broadly familiar with the automobile business, Mr. Ball has achieved large success in his present enterprise, his sales doubling each year since he became established here. Advantageously located at Nos. 176-180 River street, the motoring public of this section has found this agency a readily available headquarters for automobile service and equipment. Mr. Ball is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce and the Troy Automobile Club, also of the New York State Automobile Dealers' Association. Fraternally he is identified with East Orange (New Jersey) Lodge, No. 208, Free and Accepted Masons; Phoenix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, and Albany Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Troy Masonic Club, and the Mt. Moriah Masonic Club of Cohoes.

Mr. Ball married Mira Hitner, and they are the parents of one child, Hilda, who has both a classical and business education and is now bookkeeper and office manager for her father.

MICHAEL JOSEPH HUBBARD—The city of Troy takes just pride in her departments of public service, and particularly in the fire department, which for its efficiency and good management is unexcelled in the State. Michael Joseph Hubbard, who has been a lifelong resident of this city, has been connected with the fire department for more than a quarter of a century, and for the past two years has been active as permanent battalion chief. This honor was awarded him as a direct result of his long and honorable service, and his usefulness as an official is simply what might have been expected from his past record in subordinate positions.

Michael Joseph Hubbard was born in Troy, New York, July 1, 1876. His education was received at St. Peter's Academy, and he entered the industrial world at the age of fourteen years, since which time he has been continually active. His first position was as office boy for John

Kinsley, a hat manufacturer. He was later active in the same connection as night watchman, after which he became identified with the Troy Union railway, in their baggage department. He then went to Albany, New York, where he was connected with the New York Central railway, also in the baggage department. It was from this position that he was appointed in 1906 as foreman of the Central Station, of Troy, and this position he filled until his duties in the fire department compelled him to give his entire attention to the public service.

On December 1, 1897, Mr. Hubbard entered the Volunteer Fire Department of Troy, running with Hugh Rankin Steamer No. 2. In the course of his service he held every office in this unit and was captain in the year 1906. On May 11 of the same year he became a member of the paid fire department and was connected with Central Station. In this connection, also, he held every position, driver, stoker, engineer, acting battalion chief, and as above stated, permanent battalion chief. Chief Hubbard's devotion to duty, and large ability both in the management of men and in the instant and comprehensive grasp of any trying situation, make him one of the really valuable men of the department, and he is highly esteemed by his associates and by those who serve under him. The Central Station was completely mobilized in July, 1920, and with this change its efficiency was greatly increased. Chief Hubbard is a member of the New York State Volunteer Fire Association, the Troy Volunteer Fire Association, and the Troy Permanent Fire Association, and is also a permanent delegate to the State meetings of these various bodies. Fraternally he is identified with Troy Council, Knights of Columbus, and he was formerly a member of Troy Citizens' Corps, 12th Separate Company, now known as Company C, of the National Guard. He is a member of the State Fire Chiefs' Association, and of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society of that church.

Michael Joseph Hubbard married, May 9, 1898, Eugenia Schermerhorn, of Troy.

WILLIAM A. LEE—Left motherless on a Washington county farm when five days old, and fatherless at the age of two years, William A. Lee never heard or knew his mother's name, but his father's name, Hiram Lee, was preserved and handed down to him by his grandmother, Lydia Lee, who took the boy into her home when his father died. He was born on a farm in Washington county, New York, March 11, 1858, son of Hiram Lee, a farmer, who died in 1860. The boy was reared by his grandmother Lee, and later he lived for a time with a brother-in-law. He obtained few school advantages, and when fourteen years of age he ran away from his so-called home and found refuge in the city of Troy, which has ever since been his home.

Mr. Lee came to Troy without money or friends, but he found employment soon as a stage driver, first, on the line to Oakwood. Later he drove the Bussey and McLeon stage. He continued a stage-coach driver until reaching the age of twenty-five, then established a local transfer

business in Troy, doing general hauling and draying. He invested all his savings, borrowed three hundred dollars more, and gave a mortgage for the balance of the cost of his first equipment, a fine team and wagon. He prospered in his transfer business, and extended the service to Albany and Schenectady, opening offices, and in course of time thirty wagons and sixty horses were necessary to handle the business. To the transfer business he added a storage warehouse. He has now concentrated his business, and maintains a general office in Troy, but does business over a large area, north to Montreal, east to Maine, south to Philadelphia and Baltimore, and west to Cleveland, Ohio. In addition to his horsedrawn equipment, he has six of the largest sized trucks and two of a smaller size, his storage and warehouse business forming a large aggregate in total business transacted. A worker all his life, Mr. Lee does not take advantage of his success to slacken his own individual effort, but every day sees him in his office engrossed in the details of his business. He allows himself few recreations, but takes the keenest pleasure in having his business running smoothly and with planning for its future development. He has won his way from the bottom of the business ladder, and his success has been fairly and honestly won. He is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees, and politically is a Republican.

Mr. Lee married, in 1883 Sophia Blanchard.

JOHN H. SATTERLEE—As founder of the Berlin Condensory, one of the largest dairy industries in the county, Mr. Satterlee is now the general manager of the business for the Normanskill Farm Dairy of Albany, New York, to which, in 1920, he sold the controlling interest in the Berlin Condensory. He was born at Berlin, January 1, 1862, son of David G. and Euretta (Davis) Satterlee. His father, who is now deceased, was the proprietor of a splendid farm at Berlin, which is now the property of Henry R. Satterlee, a brother.

John H. Satterlee received his education in the local schools. He devoted himself to his books with great energy and concentration, but by no means the least part of his education was that which he received at home in the family circle, where his parents were always ready to help him with his school lessons and to instruct him out of their own experiences of life. As a country boy, he spent a large part of his spare time helping his father and mother in the work of the farm, chopping wood, gathering eggs, feeding the poultry and livestock, and driving cattle to and from the pastures. This early acquaintance with the beneficent and pleasant activities of agriculture, which are fundamental in their appeal to the human heart, so that no healthily constituted normal person can resist their attraction, did much to develop his powers of observation and to inculcate those lessons of thrift, patience, and fidelity to one's work, whatever the task may be, of which the world to-day is so much in need. When he had completed the course of study at the public school, he was already skilled as a farmer, and finding the work agreeable, remained at home helping his father until he reached the age of twenty-two years. In 1884, however, he decided that it would be well

for him to learn a useful trade and thus to increase his general experience and business knowledge. Naturally constructive in his tendencies, and possessing a handy way of doing and making things, he decided to become a carpenter. so he spent the next three years acquiring the carpenter's trade and working as a carpenter and contractor at Berlin and in the vicinity. At the end of this period, however, he had an opportunity to enter the milk and creamery business in partnership with his uncle, R. H. Satterlee. He decided to avail himself of this opening, and together the partners built up a substantial dairy trade. Mr. Satterlee spent the next five years with his uncle, and acquired a thorough knowledge of conditions in the dairy business. In 1892 R. H. Satterlee retired, and John H. Satterlee then established the Berlin Condensory.

Beginning with a few rudely constructed buildings of no great size, Mr. Satterlee developed his new enterprise into one of the most important industries of its kind in the county. The business grew rapidly, and before long Mr. Satterlee was obliged to erect new and more commodious buildings to house the various departments. The yearly volume of trade increased steadily, and by 1920 the business had attained large proportions. In that year the Normanskill Farm Dairy made an offer for the property and Mr. Satterlee found it to his advantage to sell his interest therein. When the business passed into the possession of the Normanskill Farm Dairy Mr. Satterlee became general manager of the plant at Berlin and this position he now holds. The business has proved no less prosperous under its new ownership than it did before, and with the increased capital made available by the company, it has been still further extended. Under the capable and efficient management of Mr. Satterlee it promises to have a long and successful career.

In addition to his interest in the creamery business, Mr. Satterlee carries on a sawmill at odd times, and is also a dealer in agricultural implements. He is no less fond of the land than in the days when he was a schoolboy and a young man, and he takes great pride in the well-kept fields and meadows. A progressive citizen, he has succeeded to his father's place in the community, carrying on the family traditions of public service and devotion to the common welfare. For the past thirty-three years Mr. Satterlee has been a member of the school board. In 1897 he held the office of United States postmaster at Berlin, and he has served for many years as town clerk. He was a justice of the peace for three terms of office, and he is at present a trustee of the schools, and also holds the office of president of the School Board. In 1900 he was elected justice of the peace at Berlin, and this office he held for a period of twelve years. Mr. Satterlee is a firm believer in the benefits of prohibition as applied to the use and sale of liquors of every kind, and he has played an active part in bringing about the passage of prohibition legislation. He was directly responsible for the driving out of six saloons formerly run in Berlin, and by his efforts in these directions he has done much to safeguard the morals, improve the health, and raise the standards of living not only in his own community but throughout the country, where the boys and girls of the next generation will grow

up with lives untouched by the evils of alcoholic indulgence. Mr. Satterlee has always taken a keen interest in the welfare of the children and young people of Berlin. As a member of the School Board, he has been a tireless advocate of increased educational facilities for every child, and especially he believes that in addition to a sound cultural education a child is entitled to a thorough vocational training which will fit it to take its place in society as a productive and skillful worker without being obliged to learn some trade or occupation with difficulty in the hard school of experience and oft-repeated failure. His services in this respect are deeply appreciated by his fellow-citizens, and among all classes of the community Mr. Satterlee is regarded with admiration and esteem. Mr. Satterlee is one of the organizers of the Taconic Valley Bank, and a director of same.

In religious faith Mr. Satterlee is a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church, and serves as a member of the board of trustees. He is a Mason, and holds membership in Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Petersburg, New York, and is a past master. As a student and follower of agriculture, he is a member of the Rensselaer County Grange and takes a great interest in the work of this organization and in its efforts to help farmers everywhere to better crops and a pleasanter and more profitable life. He also belongs to the Berlin Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and to the Knights of the Maccabees in Berlin.

On March 9, 1884, Mr. Satterlee married, at Berlin, Eliza Bree, daughter of Alonzo and Elizabeth (Smith) Bree. Mr. and Mrs. Satterlee have no children.

DR. OSMAN F. KINLOCH—One of the successful and very well known members of the medical profession in Troy, New York, is Dr. Osman F. Kinloch, who for more than forty years has been successfully engaged in general practice in that city. Dr. Kinloch is widely known, and has the esteem and confidence of a host of those who are his friends, and of those who have been his patients.

Born in Brunswick, Rensselaer county, New York, January 29, 1853, Dr. Kinloch is a son of Charles and Catherine (Boomhower) Kinloch. He received his early education in the public schools of his native district, which he attended until he was about ten years of age. At that time his father removed to Troy, New York, and engaged in the grocery business. The boy, Osman F., became a student in the public schools of Troy, but later entered Troy Academy. Later, he took a business course in the Troy Business College, also working evenings and Saturdays in his father's store. Then he became a student in the Medical Department of Union College (Now Albany Medical College), from which he was graduated in 1879, with the degree of M. D. In that same year he began general practice in Troy, New York, and also in that same year he was appointed city physician for Troy, which public position he held for a period of five years. Later, he took charge of the Rensselaer County Hospital and continued here for a short time. He

was appointed jail physician and served there one term; and was designated as a deputy health officer during the smallpox epidemic in 1883. He steadily built up a large and important practice and early won the entire confidence of his clientele. He has always kept in touch with the larger interests of his profession. He was a charter member of the Old Fourth District Medical Association, and served as secretary to the time of its dissolution. He is a member of Rensselaer County Medical Society, in which he has held practically every position in the organization, including: Censor, vice-president, president, and for many years he served as secretary. He also served as treasurer, resigning this position when he enlisted for service in the World War. Dr. Kinloch early became interested in the National Guard, and entered the service of the old 24th Regiment, ending that service in the Troy Citizens' Corps, serving a period of over five years. He entered the service before he was twenty-one, and held all the various company offices up to and including captain. He was a member of the New York State Medical Society, and was active in all these organizations until the time of his entrance into service in the World War. In July, 1917, he was commissioned captain in the United States army, Medical Corps, was assigned to the Base Hospital at Camp Upton, which post he held until February of the same year, when he was physically disabled in the line of duty and given an honorable discharge. When he returned to Troy he was again appointed chairman of the Rensselaer County Medical Enrollment Commission. The latter post he continued to hold throughout the period of the war. At the time of his enlistment he found it necessary to resign from many of his connections, both professional and fraternal, some of these being his position as medical examiner for several life insurance companies, and his membership in the Masonic Relief Association. With all his professional and other responsibilities Dr. Kinloch has found time for fraternal and civic service. He was a Republican in politics, and served two terms in the Common Council as alderman from the Fourth Ward. He was among the original instigators for a greater Troy. Dr. Kinloch is a member of King Solomon Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, of Troy, New York; of Iran Grotto, and of the Masonic Club. He attends the Universalist church, and though he is not a member of that organization, he has held practically every layman office. He has served as parish clerk, was treasurer and president of the official board, and of innumerable committees, all of which he resigned when he enlisted for military service. He was a member of Trojan Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3, and is a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association of Troy, and is their medical examiner. He became greatly interested in the development of the city, and built over 100 houses, mostly on the east side or the Beaman Park section. This activity brought him in touch with the building-loan movement, and he became one of the charter members of the Troy Coöperative Saving and Loan Association, and was for many years one of its directors.

On November 8, 1881, Dr. Osman F. Kinloch married May L. Fales, of Troy, New York, daughter of Joseph and Harriet (Hale) Fales.

EARLE JOHN WILEY became a member of the Rensselaer county bar in 1916 and has since been in practice there, although "time out" was taken during 1918, when Mr. Wiley was lieutenant Wiley, of the United States army. He is a native son of Troy, and has spent his life in the city of his birth, where he is acquiring a good legal practice and has a wide acquaintance.

Earle John Wiley was born in Troy, New York, October 20, 1892, son of John and Jennie (Wyman) Wiley, his parents both present residents of Troy, his father now and for many years foreman for W. and L. E. Gurley, Troy manufacturers. Earle J. Wiley began his education in Troy Public School No. 3 and passed all the grades until graduated from high school, class of 1911. In the fall of 1911 he entered Cornell University, pursuing a course covering 1911 and 1912, after which he returned to Troy and became associated with the editorial staff of the Troy "Record," morning edition. He continued with the "Record" all through his years of law study, in fact, his bills at Albany Law School were paid with money earned with the Troy "Record." He was awarded his LL. B. by Albany Law School at graduation, class of 1915; served his clerkship in the offices of F. C. Tilley, of Troy, and in September, 1916, was admitted to the Rensselaer county bar. He at once began and continues practice in Troy, and with his office associate, J. W. Smith, is joint attorney for the Utica Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Utica, New York.

On July 13, 1919, Mr. Wiley entered the United States army, going to the Officers' Training Quarters at Camp Joseph E. Johnston. He was commissioned second lieutenant, and was in the service until relieved from active duty, December 7, 1918, still being, however, held on the officers' reserve list. He is also a member of Troop B, First Regiment Cavalry, New York National Guard. At Cornell, Mr. Wiley was one of the editors of the daily college paper, "The Cornell News," and was a member of the law school basketball team. He is a member of Theta Chi fraternity, Cornell; Rensselaer County Bar Association; Noble Calahan Post, American Legion, past vice-commander for Rensselaer county, and a delegate to the Legion State conventions. He is a Republican in politics, and has twice been the candidate of his party for the State Legislature and once for city court judge. He is a member of State Street Methodist Episcopal Church, and since 1917 has been a member of its board of trustees.

Mr. Wiley married, June 11, 1921, Edith D. Roeck.

ROBERT L. RICKERSON—One of the enterprising and successful business men of Troy, Rensselaer county, New York, is Robert L. Rickerson, president of the Rickerson Supply Company of that city. This concern handles everything in the line of builders' supplies except lumber.

LeRoy Rickerson, father of Robert L. Rickerson, was born on a farm in Durham, Green county, New York, in 1845, son of Lyman Rickerson, who was born in 1818, and was a captain in the New York

State Militia, and of Laura (Bagley) Rickerson, who died in Troy in 1888. He received a good practical education in the public schools of his native city, and during his younger years assisted his father with the work of the farm. Later he became a clerk in the village store, and in 1871 he removed to Troy, New York, where he found employment in the grocery store of P. M. Marston. Two years later, in 1873, he purchased the interests of Mr. Marston, and during the three following years he successfully conducted the business. At the end of that time, in 1876, he formed a partnership with Fred Lape, and under the firm name of Lape & Rickerson, engaged in the flour and feed business. In 1882 he purchased his partner's interests, and in 1898 added to the business a complete line of builder's supplies and material. The enterprise was successful, and was conducted by Mr. Rickerson to the time of his death.

Along with his business interests LeRoy Rickerson always found time for civic service and for social intercourse with his many friends. He was secretary of the Citizens' Association, which later developed into the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and from 1888 to 1892 served as a member of the Board of Aldermen. He was a member of the East Side Club and of the Farnham Steamer Fire Company, also of the Volunteer Firemen's Association, and was always ready to give his support to those projects, which seemed to him to be wisely planned for the advancement of the public welfare. He was also active in church work, and served as treasurer of the Unitarian church. He was highly esteemed among a host of friends and associates, and his death in 1918, while his son, Robert L., was in service in France, was a distinct loss to the community. On May 23, 1883, at Fishkill, New York, LeRoy Rickerson married Margaret Murphy, daughter of John G. and Sarah C. Murphy, and they were the parents of three children: Olive, Loora B., and Robert L., of further mention.

Robert L. Rickerson was born in Troy, New York, April 17, 1894, and after completing his course in the public schools of Troy, including the high school, became a student in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he had completed three years of his course when his regiment was ordered to the Mexican border, just before the entrance of the United States into the World War. Five years earlier, in 1912, he had enlisted as a private in Company A, 2nd New York Regiment, and later had been promoted, first, to the rank of corporal and later to that of sergeant in that unit. He was holding the rank of sergeant when, in 1916, his regiment was ordered to the Mexican border, with which he remained until early in 1917. Again, in April, 1917, he enlisted in Company A, 2nd New York Infantry, of the United States army, just after the United States entered the World War, later being transferred for three months' instruction in the Officers' Training Camp at Madison Barracks, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant, August 15, 1917. In November of the same year he was ordered to France and there assigned to the Motor Transport Corps. During the next three years he served on almost every front in France and with the Army of

Occupation in Germany, and after being promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, had been recommended for a captaincy. The commission arrived after he had received his honorable discharge, August 11, 1919, however, and he declined the honor.

Mr. Rickerson had been associated with his father in business for a time preceding the outbreak of the war, and the death of the father while the son was in France made it necessary that the son should take over the business which he did immediately after his return to this country. He added new features to the business, reorganized some of its departments, and succeeded so well that in April, 1920, the expansion of the concern made incorporation advisable. This was done under the corporate name of the Rickerson Supply Company, of which Robert L. Rickerson is president; G. B. Rickerson, vice-president, and C. H. Lytle, secretary and treasurer. The business has been rapidly increasing during the past three years, and is now one of the successful and notably prosperous concerns of the city. The company has continued to handle all kinds of building material, making a specialty of masons' supplies, and their efficient and upright business methods, together with the excellent quality of material furnished, have brought them a steadily increasing patronage. In addition to his business interests, Mr. Rickerson has been active in many civic, fraternal and other organizations. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, National Builders' Supplies Association, the New York State Builders' Supply Association, and he is a charter member and founder of one of the first American Legion Post organized in Troy, the present post being a consolidation of two posts. At the last annal meeting of the Troy Post, Mr. Rickerson was elected commander, and that office he is still holding. At that same meeting applications were received from fifty-three veterans, and it was decided to form an indoor baseball league among the members of the post. In all the work of the post Mr. Rickerson takes an active part. Fraternally he is affiliated with Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; and the Grotto. He has always taken an active interest in all projects for the advancement of the public welfare in Troy, and as a member of the Beman Park Association, has rendered valuable service. He finds healthful recreation in hunting, fishing, and other forms of out-of-door sports, and both among his business associates and in his social connections he has a host of friends. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

On August 9, 1912, Robert L. Rickerson married Iva Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of Charles E. and Minnie Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Rickerson reside at No. 2322 Sixteenth street, Troy, New York.

HERBERT C. BETTS—Fitted by many years of experience in the service of transportation, Mr. Betts is well qualified to manage the affairs of the Stillman Betts Transfer Corporation, of Troy, New York, as its president and secretary. He is active in fraternal and religious work in his community.

Born on his father's farm in Rensselaer county, New York, Novem-

ber 28, 1864, the son of Albert C. and Martha (Walters) Betts, he obtained his education in the local district schools. While attending school, and afterward until 1886, he was employed on farms and various other places, and in that year settled in Troy, New York. For the next seven years he was engaged as clerk with the Delaware & Hudson Railway Company, then as cashier for five years with the People's Line Steamboat Company, and later with the Citizens' Line Steamboat Company, in the same capacity. When he had been with the last-named company ten years, he resigned his position to engage in the business with which he has since been connected. In 1882 John Luddy organized a transfer business in Troy, New York, transporting freight to and from the steamboat docks. Sanderson & Stillman became the owners of the business later, and they in turn were succeeded by the firm of Stillman & Son. Then, in 1908, the company was incorporated under the name of the Stillman & Betts Transfer Corporation, the name by which it is now known. They carry on an extensive business with the steamship lines and a large general trade besides, including local and long distance trucking. There are twenty people in their employ during the busy seasons, and they operate a large number of trucks and horse-drawn vehicles.

Mr. Betts is a Republican in politics. He is a fraternal member of Mt. Zion Lodge Free and Accepted Masons; and is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, Young Men's Christian Association, the Troy Auto Club, and the Troy Rotary Club. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Troy, where for the past fifteen years he has been a member of the board of deacons and of the Bible class.

Mr. Betts was united in marriage with Annie Van Evren, a native of this section of Rensselaer county, New York, and a daughter of Martin and Mary (Vandenburgh) Van Evren. Mr. and Mrs. Betts have one child, Aline V. E.

THEODORE LITCHFIELD—The East Side Garage Company, of which Mr. Litchfield is president, was founded by him in 1912, and has had a remarkably successful career. It was incorporated in 1917, when Mr. Litchfield assumed the presidency of the company. He was born at Ticonderoga, New York, June 29, 1890, son of Ross Litchfield, of Ticonderoga.

Mr. Litchfield spent his boyhood at Ticonderoga, where he attended the public school and completed the grammar grades. At the age of fifteen years he decided to seek an independent career and, leaving home, came to Troy, where he has ever since remained. A clever and ambitious lad, he applied for work at a garage in the city and was given a position as general helper. He had always had a liking for machinery and took an especial interest in automobiles, so consequently found his connection with the garage very interesting. He began by washing cars and polishing the metal trimmings, and in this way he acquired a good deal of knowledge about various makes of cars and the mechanical structure of different motors. He learned rapidly and was

promoted to the position of driver. He spent some time as a driver, and became an expert at this branch of the work. His interest in the mechanical part of the work, however, led him to devote a great deal of time to the study of the motor construction of the various cars he handled, and being a quick and vigorous student, he soon became an expert mechanic. He remained with the garage for a period of seven years, and then, being fully equipped by training and experience for the management of an independent business, he left his employers and established the East Side Garage, opening a very small storage and repair garage on Pine Woods avenue. This branch of the business, which is still the main one, was originally only 38x60 feet, but the business prospered to such an extent that the company was frequently obliged to add to its space, and at present the premises contain room for an extensive storage space, a machine shop, the business offices, and a service station. Of the total space now occupied by the company, one building, which is 110x110 feet, is owned by them; and another, which contains 4,200 square feet of floor space, is rented by them on a long-term lease. Both of these buildings are improved, and are equipped with the best and most modern equipment for storing, repairing, and caring for motors of every kind. The storage division has space for one hundred cars, and its capacity is always taxed by the demands made upon the firm by its customers, who appreciate the careful handling of their property and the prompt and courteous service they receive from every one connected with the East Side Garage, which has established a reputation for service of the highest quality. The machine shop is fully equipped to execute repairs of all kinds, and Mr. Litchfield and his associates maintain a force of skilled workmen to attend to the work of this branch of the business. In addition, there is a service station where passing motorists may obtain quick attention and may have their needs promptly filled. The company makes a specialty of the service rendered to owners of cars purchased from their sales department, and the service station is one of the busiest departments of the business. The total floor space of the main branch on Pine Woods avenue is 20,300 square feet, and the company takes great pride in the up-to-date and attractive appearance of its premises. In addition to their main branch on Pine Woods avenue, the company has new show rooms and sales department at No. 3001 Sixth avenue, corner of Ingalls street. This branch, which has just been erected to accommodate the rapidly increasing sales department at a cost of $26,000, supplants the old premises at No. 2785 Fifth avenue, on the north side of Troy, which had been rented by them for a long period. The new building presents a model appearance and contains every modern convenience for the exhibition and sale of motors, surpassing even the north side premises, which are remarkably fine and commodious. The company acts as sole agent for the Maxwell Motor Company in Rensselaer county, having had charge of this territory since 1916. In 1919 the East Side Garage Company acquired the agency for the Chalmers Company; in 1920 they became the local agents for the Moon Motor Company; and in 1921 they took over the agency for the peerless Motor Car. For each of these motors they have the exclusive

agency in Rensselaer county, and their yearly sales have established something of a record for automobile sales in this district. The business was originally conducted in partnership, but in 1917 it was incorporated under the name of the East Side Garage Company. Mr. Litchfield is the president of the company; the vice-president is Arba Wright, who is the driving force of the sales department and who has contributed greatly to the success of this branch of the business; the secretary is Bessie L. Edwards, the wife of John N. Edwards, who is the treasurer of the company. No small part of the phenomenal success achieved by this corporation is due to the solidarity of its members and to the whole-heartedness with which they devote themselves to the business of the company. They have won for themselves and for the corporation a secure place in the business world of Troy, and they are generally regarded as among the most energetic and progressive members of the business community. The company is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Troy, and is regarded as a leader in all progressive movements for the welfare of the city and of industry in general. In addition to the many other interests of the company, its members are the founders and stockholders of the Troy Used Car Corporation which is, in itself, an extensive and prosperous business enterprise.

Mr. Litchfield is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and belongs to the Pawling avenue church of that denomination. He takes a great interest in church affairs and is always ready to lend his support to any religious or humanitarian work undertaken by his congregation. As might be expected of one who has achieved such a remarkable success in so short a time, he takes an active and constructive part in the civic and social life of the community, and is a vigorous advocate of progressive movements, looking towards the betterment of business and living conditions in the community, and its future development along the lines of modern idealism. Mr. Litchfield is a Mason of long standing, and belongs to King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and the Grotto in Troy.

In 1908 Mr. Litchfield married, at Troy, Katherine Connors, and they have six children: Helen, Chester, Evelyn, and Betty, all of whom are attending school; and Bernice and Elinor. The family residence is at No. 108 Pine Woods avenue.

WILLIAM HENRY YOUNG, JR., was born in Troy, June 23, 1855, a son of William Henry and Martha Jane (Stanhope) Young. He was educated in Troy public schools and in a private school, Scramm's Boarding School, at Sand Lake, New York, then began an apprenticeship at the marble-cutter's trade under his father, then proprietor of Young's Monument Works, in Troy. He continued until thoroughly mastering the trade as applied to the making of a monument, and was rated the best carver of letters in the trade. He established in business for himself on March 17, 1884, and the following April received his first shipment of marble from the quarries. In a small way he started the business which now taxes the capacity of a plant 125x100 feet in area, fully

equipped with the most improved machinery used in such plants, the plant having been newly fitted up since 1920. Sales rooms and offices are maintained at the plant, and a part of the equipment is motor trucks for delivery and "setting up" use. In the days of horse-drawn trucking Mr. Young handled and successfully erected the heaviest marble shaft that was ever drawn on wheels and erected in the city, a twenty-eight-ton shaft hauled by twenty-four horses. In earlier days he built the Berry Mausoleum at Romertown, New York; the arches to the Hebrew cemeteries at Mt. Ida, Troy, and in later days, the largest colonade in Oakwood Cemetery, and some of the largest memorials in the local cemeteries. He imports Italian statuary, but all other work, whether plain, ornamental or allegorical, is all carved from the block at his own plant.

Mr. Young is a member of the Republican Club of Troy, and the Fifth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church. In early days he was a member of the Tibbets Cadets, of Troy, and has retained his interest in the organization, although he is a man devoted to his business and possessed of an energy that seems boundless.

Mr. Young married, June 1, 1882, Grace Eddy, of Washington county, New York, and they are the parents of a daughter, Emma Benson, a graduate of Troy schools, residing with her parents, and a son, Harry Eddy Young, educated in Troy schools followed by a business course in Troy Business College, and now general superintendent of the Young Monument Works. Father and son are both men of energy and enterprise, and both devoted to the business which is now delivering monuments over a territory as far south as Long Island, north to Carthage, New York, west to Jefferson county, New York, and into the New England States. Harry Eddy Young enlisted in Company D, Seventy-first Infantry, United States army, in July, 1918, for service during the World War, and trained at Camp Meade, where he was appointed corporal in September, 1918. He was about to be sent to the Officers' Training Camp when the war ended with the signing of the armistice. He was honorably discharged January 6, 1919, and resumed his place in the business. He is a member of the United Commercial Travelers' Association of America, Troy Council, No. 403, and is fond of all out-of-doors sports, while his father's heart warms to a good trotting horse, and barring the horse, his automobile furnishes him his best-loved recreation.

FREDERICK E. BOWEN, LL. B.—A noteworthy figure in the professional and civic life of Troy, New York, is Frederick E. Bowen, attorney and counsellor-at-law, formerly attorney for the State Tax Commission and judge of the city court. Mr. Bowen is a native of this city and was reared in its traditions, his father, Alfred S. Bowen, for many years a leading business man of the city, who is now deceased. The mother, Harriet M. (Thomas) Bowen, is still living.

Frederick E. Bowen was born at Troy, New York, March 12, 1877. His education was begun at Public School No. 9, of Troy, and he was graduated from the Troy Academy in the class of 1896. His choice of a profession early determined, he then entered the Cornell Law School,

from which he was graduated in 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. After serving a clerkship in the office of the late Irving Hayner, he was admitted to the bar in July, 1899. For some years Mr. Bowen served as clerk of the Surrogate Court, and his practice has been largely in this realm of legal procedure. He has been more than successful, and holds a leading position among the professional men of the day in Troy. A Republican by political affiliation, he was some years ago brought forward in the public service. For three years he was judge of the City Court of Troy, and is one of the best known figures in professional and civic activities in this city. Mr. Bowen is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and fraternally holds membership in King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member of the Masonic Club and the Republican Club, and is a member and now secretary of the Troy Club

Mr. Bowen married, on April 25, 1906, Elizabeth V. Collins, who died March 2, 1921, leaving two children: Norman Frederick; and Robert Collins. Mrs. Bowen was a daughter of Cornelius V. Collins, and a member of an old family of Troy.

THURMAN ALSON HULL—In his special branch of medical practice Dr. Hull is highly esteemed by fellow-members of the profession as a Röntgenologist of considerable training and experience, and occupies the position of head of this department in the Samaritan Hospital, Troy, New York. His affiliation with local and national medical societies and with various Masonic orders has provided means of establishing a large circle of acquaintances.

Thurman Alson Hull was born in New York City, April 4, 1880, son of Alson and Lillie E. (Allen) Hull, the latter of whom died in October, 1921. Alson Hull was engaged in farming in Rensselaer county, and was a supervisor from Berlin and interested in civic affairs, but is now retired.

Dr. Hull began his education in the Berlin (New York) district schools and later attended the public schools in North Adams, Massachusetts, and high school in Williamstown, of the same State. It was his purpose to secure a doctor's degree, but in order to meet the expense of a college course it was necessary to obtain employment. From his earnings, which he added to borrowed funds, he at last matriculated in the Albany Medical College, graduating in 1905 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Then he undertook post-graduate work in Röntgenology, going to Europe for this purpose. Upon returning to this country he was appointed interne at the Samaritan Hospital, in Troy, and began private practice in 1906. At the present time he is acting as chief Röntgenologist at the Samaritan Hospital and consulting specialist in this line at the Leonard Hospital. For a short time Dr. Hull served the Albany City Hospital as Pathologist.

Dr. Hull takes an active interest in politics as a Republican, having been clerk of the board of supervisors for some years and coroner for a period of six years, and for a like period was jail physician. Among the

organizations with which he is affiliated are the following: American Röntgenologist Society, American Medical Society, and the New York State Medical Society. He is a member of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; Albany Consistory, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine, and his clubs are: The Masonic, Troy, and the Van Schaick Island Country. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the United States army during the World War, but because of receiving orders to report on the fourth day after the armistice was declared he did not see active service. As a member of the State Street Methodist Episcopal Church, and one of its trustees, he takes a great interest in religious work. When leisure permits of his indulging in out-of-door sports, he is found usually on the golf links.

Dr. Hull was united in marriage, April 24, 1907, with Elizabeth Hall, a native of Williamstown, Massachusetts, and one daughter was born of this union, Carolyn, who is a student in the Emma Willard School.

CAPTAIN ALBERT GEISER—Among the leading young men who went out from the city of Troy, New York, to take up the cause of humanity in the World War, Captain Albert Geiser is a noteworthy figure. Interested as a merchant in the business life of the city of Troy, he left a most promising career in this field to enter the military service, and distinguished himself markedly with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. Following his discharge from the active service he reënlisted in the National Guard of the State of New York, and now serves as captain of Headquarters Company 2nd Infantry, in Troy.

Captain Geiser was born in Troy, New York, November 29, 1889, and is a son of Gustav and Anna (Geigax) Geiser, both natives of Switzerland, and both now deceased. As a child he attended Public School No. 17 in Troy, then later Public School No. 5, and also covered the course at the Troy High School. Entering Cornell University, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1914, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, then became a member of the business partnership conducted under the title of M. L. Geiser & Company, this interest being an art store. He continued with the firm and was instrumental in its growth and development for a few years, then on March 9, 1916, he enlisted as a private in Company A, 2nd Infantry Regiment, New York National Guard. He served with this organization on the Mexican border in the summer of 1916. On April 17, 1917, he was mustered into the Federal service with that unit for service in the World War. He was detailed to the camp at Spartansburg, South Carolina, and in June of the same year was promoted to sergeant, entering the Officers' Training School at Spartanburg on January 6, 1918, having been recommended by Captain C. A. MacArthur, commanding officer of Company A, 105th Infantry Regiment, Twenty-seventh Division, and was sent to France in May, 1918. Commissioned second lieutenant in the following July, he was assigned to the Third Division of the Regular army and first went into action in the Marne drive with this division. Directly follow-

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ing this drive he attended the Corps School at Gondrecourt, but was recalled to active duty on account of the scarcity of officers in the Third Division, which formed part of the support in the St. Mihiel drive. On September 26, 1918, he went into the fearful maelstrom of the Meuse-Argonne drive, where he was in the front line from September 26 until October 9, on which date he was severely wounded. Carried from the field, he was evacuated from three different hospitals before he was able to take any account of what was going on about him. The first hospital he remembers was the Vichy, and this was the fourth in which he had been cared for. He was then sent to the Savonne Hospital, then to Brest, then returned to America to the Camp Stuart Hospital, at Newport News, Virginia, the port from which he had originally sailed for France with his regiment. He was later sent north to Camp Dix, and received his honorable discharge from the service on January 6, 1919, with the rank of second lieutenant. Before the close of the year he again enlisted in the military service, joining Company A, 2nd Infantry Regiment, New York National Guard, with the rank of second lieutenant. He was made battalion adjutant and first lieutenant in 1920, and the following year was commissioned captain of Headquarters Company. During February and March, 1923, he attended the Federal Officers' School and now serves as captain of Headquarters Company, 2nd Infantry, at Troy. Captain Geiser attended the Signal Corps School at Camp Alfred Vail, New Jersey, from February 15 to June 15, 1923, receiving a certificate of graduation; he served as section leader of the National Guard officers while at the school. This splendid record of distinguished service is one in which any young man may well take pride, and Captain Geiser is one of the popular figures in military and social circles in Rensselaer county. He has few interests outside of military life; he is a member of the American Legion and also of the Troy Chamber of Commerce.

Captain Geiser married, in 1918, Martha E. Webb, of Troy, daughter of Richard W. Webb, and they have one daughter, Anna Elizabeth.

LEWIS FREDERICK MANN, a native of Rensselaer county and to-day successfully engaged in business in that county, was born on October 28, 1899, at Castleton-on-Hudson, Rensselaer county, New York, a son of F. J. Mann, respected resident of that place. For a period of twenty-one years the elder Mr. Mann was successfully engaged in the flour and feed business at Castleton, following which he entered the grocery business at Valatie, New York, and followed this line of endeavor for nine years. On January 1, 1924, he retired from active business life.

Lewis Frederick Mann received his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he entered and was graduated from the Rensselaer High School. He then took a course at the Albany Business College, at Albany, New York, and then entered the Renouard Training School for Embalmers of New York City, and was graduated from this institution with the class of 1921. Since the completion of his training he has been engaged in the embalming and undertaking profession at Nassau, New York, where he is located at the present time (1924).

Fraternally Mr. Mann has been very active and is a member of Hudson Lodge, No. 787, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Tawassaia Lodge, No. 353, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of East Nassau, New York; and of the Free and Accepted Masons, of Nassau, New York. His religious affiliation is with the Reformed church.

Lewis Frederick Mann was married on October 27, 1923, at the Methodist Episcopal Church of Slingerlands, New York, to Helen Palmer, a daughter of George A. and Eva Palmer, residents of Slingerlands.

Lewis Frederick Mann is one of the progressive and public-spirited men of the younger generation in his community and, together with his wife, is interested and active in all phases of public endeavor.

CHARLES E. CRAYMER—For a number of years Mr. Craymer has successfully practiced the profession of law in the city of Troy, New York, where he was born and continues to reside. His parents were William and Anna (McGovern) Craymer, both of whom are deceased, and the father was first a teacher and then manager of collections and sales in a brewery.

Charles E. Craymer was born at Lansingburg, now Troy, New York, September 10, 1882, and there attended St. Augustine's School. Later he entered Power's Grammar School, and Lansingburg High School, and when the courses were completed, entered the law offices of John P. Curley, to study law. In 1906 he was admitted to the bar and for ten years thereafter was engaged with the firm of Shaw, Bailey & Murphy, which is now Murphy, Aldrich & Guy. When he severed his connection with that firm in 1916, the partnership with Edward J. Donohue was formed, and continued until January 1, 1921.

Mr. Craymer served as appraiser of Rensselaer county in the office of the State comptroller from March 1, 1912, until January 3, 1915. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, Knights of Columbus, in Lansingburg; and in religion is affiliated with St. Augustine's Church. His recreational interest is in fishing.

On June 17, 1909, Mr. Craymer was united in marriage with Angelina M. Benard, of Troy, New York, daughter of Oliver and Caroline Benard. To Mr. and Mrs. Craymer two children were born: Marjory Anna, a student in Lansingburg High School; and Carolyn Grace, now (1923) in the grammar school in Troy, New York.

JOSEPH T. FOXELL—Among the business men of Troy, New York, none is better known than Joseph T. Foxell, who is at the head of the oldest store of its kind, that of Boughton & Company, in this district. Not only is he a successful business man, but an active member of fraternal and other organizations in this city, including civic clubs. He is a son of Joseph and Mary (Condon) Foxell, the father having been engaged in manufacturing.

Joseph T. Foxell was born May 29, 1872, at Troy, New York, and commenced his education in the Select School, a private institution, and later attended the Public Grammar School No. 9. He began to sell

papers when thirteen years of age and later became a clerk in the store of Thomas H. MaGill, and still later was with C. E. Wilson. During this time he attended the Troy Business College. In 1906 he formed a partnership and purchased the business of Boughton & Company, which had been established in 1822. This concern deals in men's furnishings and hats.

Mr. Foxell entered into politics as a Democrat in 1911, and held the office of city treasurer of Troy, New York, from that time until 1918, inclusive. He was president of the Retail Clerks' Union for several years, and was grand marshal of the labor parade held in 1898, which was the largest and most enthusiastic ever held up to that time. As a member of the Chamber of Commerce he is very active in committee and organization work; also is a charter member and ex-president of the Rotary Club. Fraternally he has been a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks for twenty-one years. During the World War he took an active part in all the drives and in Red Cross work. Every form of out-of-door athletic sport enlists his interest.

Mr. Foxell married Mary Elizabeth Wagstaff, a daughter of John W. and Marie Wagstaff, of Troy, New York, and the three children born to them are: Mary, a graduate of Columbia University; Joseph W., a student in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; and Helen M.

WILLIAM J. GARVEY, M. D.—One of the successful and progressive physicians of Rensselaer county, New York, is Dr. William J. Garvey, whose extensive practice in the city of Troy places him among the really significant men of the day in the profession. Of Vermont nativity, and a member of an old family in that State, he is a son of James and Mary (Hardington) Garvey, for many years esteemed farming people of Addison county and later of Rensselaer county, New York, the mother still living.

Dr. Garvey was born at Shoreham, Addison county, Vermont, April 5, 1882. Shortly after his school attendance was begun as a boy in his native State the family moved to Troy. He was at that time six years of age and he continued his education in the public and high schools of this city. Ambitious to enter a profession, he found himself more or less dependent on his own exertions for the attainment of his object. While still in high school he began work in a drug store in spare time. He continued this activity during a period of about six years, largely financing his own medical education. He was graduated from Albany Medical College in the class of 1905, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine from that institution. He entered Boston Emergency Hospital as interne, and later acted in the same capacity at Boston General Hospital, this work covering a period of about one year. In 1906 Dr. Garvey opened his office in Troy at No. 134 Third street and has since practiced continuously in this location, following general lines. He has been successful in a marked degree and handles a very extensive and lucrative practice. Standing high in the professional world, he is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and serves on the medical staff of the

Samaritan Hospital of Troy, also on the auxiliary staff of Troy General Hospital. Dr. Garvey does much fraternal work, acting as medical examiner for the Order of Owls and the Order of Maccabees, also the Protective Home Circle, the Knights and Ladies of Honor, and the Order of United Workmen. He is deeply interested in the general advance, politically supporting the Democratic party, and for years has been active in the progress of the party. He served as physician for the Troy Board of Charities for one year and for several years served as physician for the city jail. His recreations are those of the outdoor world, his chief recreative interest being golf. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

JAMES S. SCOTT—A thoroughly representative figure in the legal profession in Rensselaer county, New York, is James S. Scott, who is a native of this county and a member of an old family of this section. Mr. Scott is broadly successful in his private practice and has for many years been identified with the public service as clerk of the Surrogate Court and is at present corporation counsel of Hoosick Falls, New York. Mr. Scott is a son of Edmund and Mary (Newman) Scott, for many years esteemed residents of Hoosick Falls, now deceased.

James S. Scott was born at Hoosick Falls, New York, August 2, 1878. His early education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace and he was graduated from the local high school in the class of 1895. Taking up the study of law, he was admitted to the bar of the State of New York in 1901. He then became associated as a partner with Ezra Tiffany, a leading attorney of Hoosick Falls, with whom he continued for about thirteen years. In 1914 Mr. Scott was appointed clerk of the Surrogate Court of Rensselaer county and served for a period of six years in this capacity. Meanwhile, since 1908, he has acted as corporation counsel of Hoosick Falls. In 1919 he established an office in Troy, New York, and in 1920 in the Troy Savings Bank building, and he has since continued both offices, residing in Hoosick Falls. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; Hoosick Falls Lodge, No. 178, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and other bodies of civic and welfare significance. Mr. Scott's recreations include books, and he is also fond of outdoor life, taking particular pleasure in golf.

Mr. Scott married, on October 31, 1908, Anna Higgins, of Cambridge, New York.

PORTER O. LAMPHIER, justice of the peace at Berlin, and the proprietor of a general store, is descended from the Lamphier family which settled in Rhode Island in the seventeenth century. The family is of French Huguenot descent, Mr. Lamphier's paternal great-grandfather was Rowland Lamfray, that being the original spelling of the name.

Porter O. Lamphier was born at Berlin, February 26, 1866, son of Hiram P. and Sarah (Peckham) Lamphier. His grandfather was Clark

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B. Lamphier, who was born at Hoppington, Rhode Island, in the year 1793, and came to Berlin with his family in 1796, at the age of three years. He devoted himself to agriculture when he grew up, and spent his entire life at Berlin as a farmer. He married Lois Potter, who was a native of Brookfield, New York, and had three children: Caroline, who married William P. Green; May, who married Ed Shumway; and Hiram P., Mr. Lamphier's father, married (first) Marion Bates, and (second) Sarah Peckham. His first wife died leaving three children, and his second wife was the mother of five children: Porter O., of this review; Nettie E.; Edwin H.; Maude G.; and Mamie C., who died at the age of eighteen.

Mr. Lamphier received his education in the public schools of Berlin. When his studies were completed, he associated himself with his father in the work of cultivating the home farm. He was accustomed to the sights and sounds of farm life, having been brought up on his father's farm, and found agriculture interesting and agreeable. He remained at home engaged in farm work until 1889, when he decided that it would be advantageous to him to learn a trade and engage in business. Leaving home, he formed a connection with a carpenter and contractor and set himself to learn the builder's trade. He continued at this work until 1905, meeting with great success therein and becoming the owner of an independent business. In 1905 he saw an opportunity to dispose of his contracting business to good advantage and to enter the mercantile business. He decided after careful consideration to do this, and accordingly sold his contracting business and bought his present store from H. F. Brown, in the town of Berlin, opening his shop on October 1, 1905. This venture prospered, and before long he added to it by opening departments devoted to the sale of hardware and furniture. Undertaking was one of the original departments of business, and his funeral parlors are among the finest in the town. He still directs the affairs of the store and has won for himself a secure place in the business world of Berlin, where his efforts to maintain the highest standards of trade and business are fully appreciated.

An energetic and far-sighted citizen, Mr. Lamphier has always been tireless in his support of any movement designed to improve living conditions, to increase business prosperity, and to promote public welfare. In 1916 he was elected justice of the peace and this office he still holds. In politics he is a Republican, and is a firm supporter of constructive legislative policies. He takes an especial interest in the movement for better roads, the extension and improvement of transportation systems, and an adequate protective tariff on all imported goods, and especially upon good that may be classed as luxuries. In religious faith he is a member of the Seventh Day Baptist church, to which he has belonged for the past thirty years. He is a member of Berlin Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he has been a member for the past nineteen years, and is a past grand master of that order. He is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees, and has been a commander of that organization since 1905, taking the greatest interest in all its activities.

Mr. Lamphier married, at Berlin, on May 6, 1886, Mary Milliard, daughter of Elbertus and Rosilla (Kenyon) Milliard. Mr. and Mrs. Lamphier have six children: Grace; Sarah, who is named for Mr. Lamphier's mother; Mamie, who is named for Mr. Lamphier's sister, Mamie; Ronald; Porter, who is named for Mr. Lamphier; and Iva. All of his children were born at Berlin.

REV. CHARLES WINDBIEL—Those whose careers are devoted to the work of developing and directing the spiritual and moral life of their fellow-citizens perform a service of the highest order, a service which continues to exert an influence even upon generations yet unborn. Their field of activity is one of the most difficult, for the ideals with which they strive to inspire others must, in order to be effective, first be made living realities in their own lives. Among those who are faithfully meeting the responsibilities of spiritual guide and helper is the Rev. Charles Windbiel, pastor of St. Henry's Roman Catholic Church, of Averill Park, New York, who also has charge of the mission at St. Mary's, East Poestenkill, New York.

Father Windbiel was born in Amsterdam, New York, September 23, 1880, son of Charles A. and Mary (Messelbeck) Windbiel. After receiving his early education in the local schools, he became a student in St. Jerome's College, at Berlin, Ontario, where for seven years he continued his studies, specializing in philosophy. He then went to Austria in order that he might pursue his theological studies in the University of Innsbruck, Austria. He was ordained in 1905 and since that time he has been continuously and most successfully devoting his energies to the development of his various charges. In 1905 he became assistant rector of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Troy, New York, and after meeting the responsibilities of that position for eighteen months he was transferred to Albany as assistant rector of Holy Cross, Albany, New York. Seven months later he was again transferred, this time to St. Agnes' parish, at Cohoes, New York, where he remained for a year and a half. His next charge was the Church of the Annunciation, at Ilion, New York, where for four years he rendered faithful and efficient service. In 1913 he was appointed pastor of St. Henry's Church, of Averill Park, New York, and that parish he is still serving (1923). During the ten years of his pastorate there, he has greatly developed the parish activities and has won the esteem, not only of the members of his church but of the community in general as well. In addition to the responsibilities of his own parish Father Windbiel also devotes much of his time and energy to the development of the mission at East Poestenkill, New York. He has many friends in each of the communities in which he has served and is highly esteemed both as an able and faithful pastor and as a citizen of sterling qualities of character.

SHELDON B. SMITH—The son of a former well-known lawyer in Troy, New York, Mr. Smith is rapidly achieving merited success in his

practice of law in this city and is acknowledged to be among the leading men of a younger generation in this profession. His family history includes some of the very early settlers of New England.

Sheldon B. Smith traces his ancestry to the Rev. Henry Smith, who left the Plymouth Colony in 1636 to assume the pastorate of the first church established in Wethersfield, Connecticut. About a century later his grandson, Nathaniel Smith, brought his family from Suffield, Connecticut, to Vermont, where Enoch Smith, a son, was one of the first to settle in Rupert, Bennington county. Thaddeus Smith was a son of Enoch Smith, and great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, whose parents were Henry W. and Anna (Bainbridge) Smith. Henry W. Smith was born at Rupert, and upon completing a preliminary education, entered Dartmouth College, from which he graduated in 1872, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Then he studied law in Troy, New York, and was admitted to the bar in 1878. He was a contributor to newspapers of various articles, and was a Mason in high standing, being a member of the lodge, of which he was a past master; also the Commandery, and the Scottish Rite. His death occurred February 8, 1920.

Sheldon B. Smith was born at Troy, March 13, 1889, receiving his education at Troy Academy, Dartmouth College and Albany Law School. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Dartmouth in 1910, and Bachelor of Laws from the law school in 1912, being admitted to the bar that same year. He is a member of two college fraternities, the Alpha Delta Phi, of Dartmouth, and Phi Delta Phi, of Albany Law School. He is also a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, and the Troy Kiwanis Club. While a student at Dartmouth he was captain of the tennis team, and that, as well as other out-door sports, continues to engage his interest.

Mr. Smith married, November 26, 1917, Julliette D. Halla, a daughter of Julius F. and Emma (Lucas) Halla, of Troy, New York.

EARL WAYNE WILKINS, M. D.—A veteran of the World War, and a member of the medical profession at Rensselaer, New York, where he has been engaged in practice since February 1, 1919, Dr. Wilkins was born on Sand Creek road, West Albany, New York, June 24, 1892, son of Henry and Wilhelmina A. (Edinburgh) Wilkins. His parents were residents of West Albany, and Dr. Wilkins grew up amid the pleasant and healthful surroundings of a rural community. His mother was a native of Albany, and many of his early memories are associated with that city, where he received part of his early education and his medical training.

Dr. Wilkins received his preliminary education in the district schools of West Albany and after having been graduated from the grammar grades, proceeded to high school at Albany. He completed the full course of study and was graduated from high school as a member of the class of 1910. He was anxious to make his way in the world and decided, upon leaving school, that he could not do better than to secure

temporary employment as a means of surveying the field of business and coming to a wise decision in regard to the particular occupation best suited to his abilities. He had no difficulty in forming a connection with the New York Central railroad, and became a member of the staff of the road's accounting department shortly after his graduation. Energetic and ambitious, he devoted himself to the duties of this employment with unusual zeal and fidelity. He found the work interesting and agreeable, but nevertheless, after having remained there for some time, decided that railroad work was not destined to be his life occupation. He continued to work for the New York Central for a period of three years however, during which he gave careful consideration to various professions, finally determining to become a physician. He had a marked aptitude for the science of medicine and his parents and friends approved heartily of his desire to devote himself to its practice. Accordingly, in 1913 he left the railroad, greatly to the regret of his employers and associates who appreciated his industry and energy, and entered the Albany Medical College.

Dr. Wilkins' choice of medicine as a career was immediately justified by the high record he maintained in his studies and the skill he showed in such practical work as was assigned to him. He completed his studies with great credit and was graduated from the Albany Medical College as a member of the class of 1917, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He began his professional career immediately thereafter as an interne at the Albany City Hospital, where he remained until August 11, 1917, when he was called upon for service in the United States army. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical corps and assigned to duty at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. He spent some time in training at Camp Greenleaf, and was then transferred to Camp McClellan, Alabama. He spent several months on active service at Camp McClellan and then went to Camp Crane at Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he remained until December 15, 1918, when he received his discharge from the service.

Before establishing himself in the practice of his profession, Dr. Wilkins spent some time as an interne on the staff of the Buffalo State Hospital, where he acquired a great deal of practical experience and familiarity with hospital routine and procedure. But when the period of his internship came to an end. Dr. Wilkins, who saw an opportunity for a capable physician at Rensselaer, decided to avail himself of it and accordingly settled in that city, where he has since made his home. Fully equipped as he is by training and experience, he has been eminently successful from the very beginning. His practice has increased steadily and he has a host of patients who regard him with the utmost respect and whose confidence in his skill and ability is unlimited. He has not yet seen fit to specialize in the treatment of any particular malady, but has kept his practice general, believing that in this manner he can best serve the community, at least for the present. He is however, keenly interested in certain special phases of medical and surgical science and spares no pains to keep up with the latest discoveries and developments in his profession.

In politics Dr. Wilkins is an Independent. He is a Mason, and holds membership in the Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons; the Chapter, the Commandery, Albany Council, and the Mystic Shrine at Albany. So far, Dr. Wilkins has not found time to affiliate himself with any other social or fraternal organization. He takes the greatest interest however, in all movements tending to increase and promote social welfare and public prosperity and is especially active as a supporter of measures designed to raise the standards of living and to improve the public health, especially by means of adequate supervision of food and provision shops, restaurants, and dairies, by the maintenance of an unquestionably pure water supply, and by education and dissemination of information on all questions concerning health and sanitation.

Dr. Wilkins married, at Richmondville, New York, on July 11, 1918, Mildred Anna Dana, daughter of Albert C. and Emma (Palmatier) Dana. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkins have two children: Earl W., Jr., who was born August 17, 1919; and Esther Dana, born August 17, 1920.

HERBERT V. HAYNER, the founder and proprietor of the Hayner General Store, at Brunswick Center, New York, was born at Brunswick, New York, February 14, 1879, son of Lemuel and Sarah Elizabeth (Sherman) Hayner. His father was the proprietor of a typical New York State farm and as a boy, Mr. Hayner learned the business of farming by practical experience. When he was quite young he helped in the lighter work, such a chopping kindling wood, caring for the poultry, weeding and digging, and driving cattle to and from the pastures, but as his strength increased and he grew up, he took part in the major operations of general farming and learned how to manage various subsidiary enterprises, such as the care of timber and the scientific conduct of dairy work and the raising of hogs, cattle, and poultry.

Mr. Hayner was educated in the public schools of Brunswick and proceeded to Albany Business College for training in business methods and commercial subjects. While a student, he transferred himself from the Albany Business College to a similar institution of commercial study at Troy, the second place being more conveniently situated for his purpose. He spent three pleasant and profitable years at Troy and during that period acquired a thorough knowledge of commercial methods. Instead of returning to farm life Mr. Hayner decided to enter the field of business, and in 1907 established himself as general merchant in the town of Brunswick Center. In choosing this place as a location, he was guided by sound, business judgment and a complete and detailed knowledge of local conditions. From the beginning his success far exceeded his expectations and he now has a large volume of yearly trade. His store is ideally suited to the community it serves, and in Brunswick Center and the surrounding country the Hayner General Store is greatly appreciated. In its harmonious atmosphere of friendliness and good will it is like its predecessor, the general store of early American fiction. So many people meet under its roof and linger there in friendly conversa-

tion that the place often takes on the aspect of a community center, as indeed it is. Mr. Hayner keeps an unusually fine stock of goods, ranging from staple articles of everyday use to the finest delicacies for the sick, and is always on the alert for the finer products of the grocery and dry goods trades. Mr. Hayner owes little or nothing of his success to luck. In his case, a natural talent for business united to a sound commercial education, an accurate knowledge of local conditions, and a capacity for hard work, have left little room for the operations of chance. As in all business enterprises controlled and inspired by an individual, personality has been a controlling factor in Mr. Hayner's success, and integrity the largest single item in the column of assets.

Of a deeply religious turn in mind, Mr. Hayner is a member of the Lutheran Church at Brunswick Center, and has filled the position of assistant superintendent of the Sunday School. A Democrat in politics, he is known as a staunch adherent of Democratic principles and policies. Although his business affairs have left him very little leisure for public service, he was a member of the board of inspectors, and takes great interest in local political affairs. He is also very much interested in school affairs, having been district clerk for thirteen years, and always exerts his influence on the side of progress in all branches of the civic government.

Mr. Hayner married, at Troy, New York, on January 25, 1906, Luella A. Wagner, daughter of John Henry and Lucilla (Hayner) Wagner. Mr. and Mrs. Hayner have two children: Myron B., and Marcella A.

ERNEST I. VAN DOREN is a leading figure in business circles in Troy, New York, and his activities reach far beyond the borders of the city or, indeed, of Rensselaer county, as a manufacturer's agent and power and lighting engineer. He represents some of the foremost industrial concerns in the United States, his line being principally electrical equipment. A man of large ability and tireless energy, Mr. Van Doren has won a position of great importance in the business world of Troy and his activities are contributing materially to the commercial and industrial advance.

Mr. Van Doren is a member of a very old family of Holland decent who immigrated to this country years ago from the village of Doorn, Holland. The old family residence was recently purchased by the former kaiser as his present abode. Mr. Van Doren's father, Frank A. Van Doren, was born in the town of Cato, Cross Lake, Cayuga county, New York, June 20, 1842, and is the only surviving member of eleven children born to Isaac Van Doren, one of the early settlers. A letter recently received from him to his son said that he would attend the annual family reunion which would be held at the old homestead farm on June 20, 1923, which would fall on his eighty-first birthday.

Ernest I. Van Doren was born on the old homestead farm, April 7, 1868. As a young lad he worked on the farm until the age of fifteen and attended the district schools, afterwards attending the high school

at Weedsport, New York. At the age of twenty-three he entered the factory of the General Electric Company, then known as the Thompson Houston Electric Company, of Lynn, Massachusetts, as a student, taking a four-year course as an electrical expert. Later he went to the Westinghouse Electric Company, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and was one of the first electric men to install the machinery and Tesla motors at the new factory now located at East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Thereafter Mr. Van Doren was sent to Albany, New York, to remodel and install new machinery for the Albany Illuminating Company, which at that time had just secured the contract for lighting the new New York State capitol. He then took up the commercial end for a time, and came to Troy in 1897, where he became assistant superintendent in the electric department of the Troy Gas Company. Subsequently Mr. Van Doren was elected superintendent of the Village of Green Island Electric Light Plant, which he held for two years, resigning to accept a position with the E. G. Bernard Company as traveling salesman, which position he held for five years.

In 1913 he established his own present business in Troy, representing the Western Electric Company on electric motors, from one-quarter to 500 horse-power, the Consolidated Electric Lamp Company; The Airdry Corporation, for which he is agent for five counties; The Packard Electric Company, on transformers for central stations, sub-stations, lighting and power installations. One of his very important connections is with the line of the S. E. T. Valve & Hydrant Company, specialties on patented line of castings for improving streets in the manufacture of a new type of adjustable manhole tops for modern traffic conditions, interlocking catch basin heads, sectional roadway boxes for housing valves in streets for the water companies, sectional iron receiving basins, and sewer housings, which are replacing brick and concrete, some of which were dsignd by Mr. Van Doren and are being used in the principal cities and surrounding territory, making a great saving over the old method of construction.

Mr. Van Doren is one of the oldest electrical experts in his line in Troy, and a leader in electrical matters. He has few interests outside of his own work, but is a member of Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, Free and Accepted Masons; and for recreation chooses travel. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Troy, New York.

Ernest I. Van Doren married, on June 20, 1907, Jennie W. Barkley, of Bloomsburgh, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Charles G. and Marjorie (Wilson) Barkley, both deceased. The family residence is at No. 1934 Fifth avenue, Troy, New York.

HARRY A. LEWIS—In his industrial activities as a book publisher Mr. Lewis is widely known and his interests reach far, but to the people of Rensselaer county, New York, of which for many years he has been a resident, his public service is more familiar and as treasurer of Rensselaer county, he has held large responsibilities for the past three years. His

wide business experience and practical ability have prepared him in an excellent manner for the duties of this office, to which he has recently been reëlected, and his work therein is counting in a largely constructive and beneficial way for the economic security of the county and for the general advance.

This branch of the Lewis family has for many years been prominent in the State of Ohio and Rev. Charles Byron Lewis, father of the subject of this sketch, was a prominent Methodist clergyman and a veteran of the Civil War. Devoted to his sense of duty in every phase of life, Rev. Mr. Lewis served three enlistments in the Union army and rose to the rank of lieutenant. He died February 3, 1892, his wife, Eunice (Wyeth) Lewis, still survives him and resides at Bloomfield, New Jersey. Another son, Rev. S. D. Lewis, is now a member of the New York East Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Harry A. Lewis, son of Rev. Charles Byron and Eunice (Wyeth) Lewis, was born at West Jefferson, Ohio, February 2, 1866. Receiving his early education in the local schools, he later attended the Valparaiso University, at Valparaiso, Indiana, and from his earliest active years has been identified with the publishing business. He gained a practical preparation for the executive responsibilities by mastering the details of the printing business through practical work in the mechanical departments. He later gained a footing as office executive and has now for many years been at the head of an independent interest located at Troy, New York, and is widely known as a general book publisher. An active worker in the ranks of the Republican party from the time of attaining his majority, Mr. Lewis has been prominent in its ranks practically since he became a resident of Rensselaer county. He served as supervisor of the town of Petersburg and as leader of the board of supervisors during two of the four years of his service in this connection (1913-1917). He has for some years been a member of the Rensselaer County Republican Committee and later served that body as chairman. On January 1, 1921, Mr. Lewis was elected treasurer of Rensselaer county and in that exacting and responsible position he still ably serves. Fraternally he is identified with Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Petersburg; and Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of Troy Club, and attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Harry A. Lewis married, at Petersburg, New York, on February 1, 1885, Mary Moses, daughter of Adelbert and Harriet Moses. They are the parents of three children: Adella, wife of Roscoe Peacock, born January 20, 1889; Charles, born July 20, 1892; and Jesse W., born June 16, 1896, now postmaster of Petersburg, New York, a sketch of whom follows.

JESSE W. LEWIS—The Lewis family came to Rensselaer county from Massachusetts, Jesse W. Lewis, of this review having been born in that State, son of Harry A., whose sketch precedes, and Mary (Moses) Lewis, his father a man of prominence and the county treasurer. Jesse W. Lewis was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 16, 1896,

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and there obtained an excellent public school education, finishing in Troy Conference Academy, of Poultney, Vermont, class of 1915. He began his business career as an employe of the H. A. Lewis Publishing Company, of Petersburg, New York, continuing until April 15, 1918. He enlisted in the United States navy, May 20, 1918, as second-class seaman, and trained at Pelham Bay Park, and at the Naval Air Station, Rockaway Beach, where he served as chief petty officer. He was honorably discharged on July 29, 1919, and returned to the H. A. Lewis Publishing Company. He resigned his position of sales manager in 1922, to assume the duties of the office of postmaster of Petersburg, to which he had been appointed, being the youngest postmaster ever appointed in Rensselaer county.

Mr. Lewis is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; a member of Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is secretary; and is commander of the local body of the Knights of Maccabees.

Mr. Lewis is unmarried.

JOHN P. McNAMEE, son of James and Anna (Kelly) McNamee, was born in the city of Troy, New York, April 9, 1891.

John P. McNamee began his education in St. Michael's Parochial School and later attended La Salle Institute. Then he pursued a course of study in law at the Albany Law School, graduating in 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He served a clerkship in the office of Thomas F. Powers, and later, in Harry E. Clinton's office, and was admitted to the bar in March, 1913. He was secretary to Mayor Fleming.

Mr. McNamee has interested himself in politics, and was elected city clerk of Troy, New York, in 1914-16-18, receiving his appointment as secretary to the mayor in 1920. He was chairman of both the Troy and Rensselaer County Democratic Committees, 1918 and 1920, and has been chairman of the Rensselaer County Committee since 1920. He is a fraternal member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and past advocate of the Knights of Columbus. In religion he is a member of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. McNamee married Helen G. Kenney, of Troy, New York, January 27, 1920, and one child was born to them, Margaret Anna.

GEORGE WATSON DUFTY, M. D.—Among the members of the medical profession in Rensselaer county, few have achieved a more enduring success or are regarded with greater affection and respect than Dr. Dufty. He was born at Troy, New York, April 30, 1883, son of George E. and Harriet (Cox) Dufty. His father was a farmer and although skilled in all agricultural operations and methods, found it difficult to maintain his family on the profits derived from his land. Undiscouraged by adverse circumstances which would have caused a less courageous man to despair, he struggled with his none too fertile soil and by dint of hard work, perseverance, and the exercise of great thrift,

finally succeeded in attaining a measure of prosperity. Mr. and Mrs. George E. Dufty were the parents of four children: Fannie, who married William Chadwick; Margaret, who married Charles Babcock; Arthur; and George Watson, of further mention.

George Watson Dufty received his preliminary education in the public schools, but from the very beginning he realized the value of education and the privilege of attending school was one which he prized highly. As soon as he was old enough to take part in the family struggle he began to help his father and mother by doing various light tasks around the house and on the farm, and when he grew a little older he supplemented his home activities by securing employment with the Delaware and Hudson railroad. By this means he was able to help his father and to secure enough money to enable him to continue his studies. He worked for the Delaware and Hudson railroad for six years, and during this period completed his grammar school studies. He was graduated from the Mechanicsville High School, upon completion of a four years' course of study, in 1900. During his high school days he worked in the railroad shops at Mechanicsville, thus financing himself while he studied. He next proceeded to the Albany Business College in order to acquire a thorough training in business methods and commercial subjects. During the next two years, while engaged in study at this institution of business learning, he was employed as a brakeman and in various other capacities, on the Jersey Central railroad. During this period his interest became concentrated upon the study of medicine and he determined to become a doctor instead of seeking to pursue a business career. In 1906 therefore, having completed his course at the Albany Business College, he entered the Albany Medical College for the purpose of acquiring his professional training. By this time his long career as a worker and his perseverance and thrift had brought about such an improvement in his circumstances that he was able to devote himself exclusively to his medical studies during the college year. The field of medicine proved ideally suited to his abilities. His naturally scientific tendencies, together with the deep feeling of sympathy he had always had for the sick and distressed, enabled him to devote himself to his work with rare fidelity and concentration. He completed a four years' course of study with great credit and was graduated from the college as a member of the class of 1910, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

Immediately after his graduation Dr. Dufty came to Nassau and established himself in practice as an independent physician and surgeon. His choice of Nassau as a permanent home was a wise one, as his subsequent success has fully proven. His thorough training, broad sympathies, and genial disposition have won him the confidence and regard of all classes of the community. His patients place the utmost reliance upon his judgment, and the faith he has been able to inspire in them has more than once enabled him to bring a patient through a serious illness, when the slightest wavering of purpose or the least shadow of doubt might have resulted fatally. Dr. Dufty is especially popular with

the children of the town, who look upon him as their best friend and who love to talk to him, appreciating the seriousness with which he listens to them and advises them. Needless to say, in all his work, Dr. Dufty has kept pace with the advances of science. His equipment is of the best and he spares no pains to keep himself fully informed of the latest discoveries of scientists in the medical profession and kindred branches, such as dentistry, surgery, and the like. He is a great believer in preventive medicine, and is a tireless advocate of every measure designed to safeguard the health of the general public and especially of school children.

In politics Dr. Dufty is independent. He holds office as town health officer, and as health officer of the township of Nassau. During the World War he registered for service as a member of the medical reserve corps. His registration took place on November 9, 1918, but he was not called into active service; the influenza epidemic which devasted the country just after the close of hostilities rendering the need for doctors at home imperative. Throughout the trying period of these terrible epidemics which wrought such havoc among the civilian population, Dr. Dufty worked with tireless energy and his services were deeply appreciated by the whole community. Dr. Dufty belongs to the Rensselaer County Medical Association, and the State Health Officers' Society. In religious faith he is a member of the Reformed church, in the work of which he takes a great interest. He is a Mason of long standing, and holds membership in the Gratitude Lodge, No. 674, Free and Accepted Masons; and Greenbush Chapter, No. 274, Royal Arch Masons; De Witt Clinton Council, No. 22, Royal and Select Masters; and Temple Commandery, No. 2, Knights Templar, of Albany.

Dr. Dufty married, at Nassau, on June 5, 1912, Anna Walker, daughter of Dudley and Sarah (Rowe) Walker. Dr. and Mrs. Dufty have no children.

HENRY B. THOMAS, inventor and manufacturer, was born in Middleboro, Massachusetts, April 15, 1844, and died in Troy, New York, September 2, 1901. He was son of Oliver and Johanna (Stewart) Thomas. His father died May 18, 1859, and the mother in 1890. The family removing to the city of Troy when he was only ten years of age, Henry B. Thomas completed in this city the practical education which was begun at his birthplace. At the age of eighteen years he entered the business world in the manufacture of nail kegs, working on contract for the firm of Corning & Winslow. The death of his father soon after, left an established interest in his hands, and as the successor of Oliver Thomas, the young man began the manufacture of horseshoe kegs for the Burden Iron Company, of Troy. In the course of his connection with this concern the bulk of his product was absorbed by them, and the business grew to a volume of more than a thousand kegs per day. Mr. Thomas retired from this business in the early nineties to promote and develop the Sturgess water wheel governor, a mechanical device of revolutionary importance to the world of industry, considered by ex-

perts of that day as a marvel of ingenuity. This engaged his attention until his sudden death, which occurred September 1, 1901, and which came as a shock to the entire community. He had been in his usual health, daily at his desk, giving his affairs the usual energetic and efficient attention. He was stricken on Saturday evening, August 31, at eight o'clock and passed away at one o'clock the following morning, the efforts of his physicians proving unavailing.

Mr. Thomas was very prominent in fraternal circles, being a member of King Solomon Primitive Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; and past commander of Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar. He was a leading Republican of Troy, and in 1891 was a candidate for mayor of the city. He was one of the organizers of the East Side Club, acting as chairman of the meeting, and was elected the first president of the club. He was also a member of the Troy Club. His death brought out many expressions of regret and appreciation of his long usefulness, the Troy "Press" for Monday, September 2, 1901, commenting as follows:

Mr. Thomas was an active, upright, prominent and universally respected citizen. Public and domestic virtues distinguished his character. As husband, father, friend, and in business, social, church and club circles, Mr. Thomas met every obligation cheerfully and honorably.

As a manufacturer, his work was the best of its kind. Naturally, such a man made a host of friends and few, if any enemies. He leaves a bright record of usefulness and honor, undimmed by those blemishes which too often must modify the estimate of human character, and this will be a source of pride and consolation to the beloved and bereaved one whose work on earth is yet undone.

Another contemporary newspaper said:

Henry Borden Thomas was endowed with the instincts of a nobleman. Modest and retiring; but his genial, pleasant, generous manner won a very large circle of friends, while home was the loveliest and most attractive spot on earth. Troy can ill afford to lose such a man.

Henry B. Thomas married, in the year 1864, Charlotte Bainbridge, who still survives him, and their two sons are: Orton H., whose sketch follows; and Elmer R.

ORTON HENRY THOMAS—In financial circles in Troy, New York, Orton H. Thomas is a man of wide prominence, his success in the bond and investment business bearing close relation to the general welfare and the economic advance, interested in all branches of advance, with an honorable military record and well-known in social circles, Mr. Thomas is a prominent figure in the life of Rensselaer county, and a broadly representative man of the day in the city of Troy. He is a member of a family which for many years has been actively identified with the progress of this city and county.

Orton H. Thomas, son of Henry B., a sketch of whom precedes, and Charlotte (Bainbridge) Thomas, was born in the city of Troy, New York, September 16, 1872. His education was begun in the local public schools and completed at the Troy Academy. At the age of seventeen years he entered his father's plant, and for six years thereafter was iden-

tified with the business. He then became interested in the newspaper game and associated himself with the Troy "Press," being active in their advertising department for three years. He then entered the dairy business in an independent way, owning and personally managing the Troy Dairy Company for a period of seven years. With this experience in various lines, from which he gleaned invaluable general experience, Mr. Thomas then engaged in bond and investment brokerage. He confines his activities to public utility, railway and municipal bonds, and is doing a very extensive business, the scope of which covers the northern part of New York State. He is also a director of the Troy Trust Company. Mr. Thomas is a veteran of the Spanish-American War, having joined the 2nd Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, enlisting as private. He served at Camp Black, at Chattanooga, Tennessee, also at Camp Benard, at Tampa, Florida. He also served for seven years in the Troy Citizens' Corps, from which he resigned with the rank of corporal, now holding honorary membership in this organization. In short, Mr. Thomas exemplifies the broadly progressive citizen, whose well-rounded career touches many fields of advance, and whose aggressive activities bear upon many of the world's needs in a constructive and beneficent manner. His recreative interests are those of the outdoor world, and he spends his leisure in hunting, fishing, or travel. He is a member of the Troy Club and St. John's Episcopal Church.

Orton H. Thomas married Harriet Frances Tucker, daughter of H. O. R. and Elizabeth Louise (Brownell) Tucker. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are the parents of one daughter, Harriet Elizabeth, who was educated in the Emma Willard School of Troy, and the Westover Finishing School, of Middlebury, Connecticut, and is now the wife of C. Whitney Tillinghast, 2nd, of Troy, New York.

W. JOSEPH SHANLEY—A member of the Rensselaer county bar since December 21, 1918, Mr. Shanley, a native son, has practiced in the city of Troy during the years which have since intervened and is building up a good practice. He is a son of Owen and Ellen (O'Donnell) Shanley, both residents of Troy, Owen Shanley, a wholesale produce merchant and head of the firm of Owen Shanley & Sons.

W. Joseph Shanley was born in Troy, New York, April 16, 1897, and completed his preparatory education at St. Augustine's Academy, being graduated with the class of 1914. Choosing the legal profession as his life work, he entered the Albany Law School, whence he was graduated LL. B., class of 1918. Mr. Shanley enlisted in the World War in the early summer of 1918, and was discharged in December, 1918. He then took a special course at the State Normal College, Albany, New York. He was admitted to the bar in March, 1919, and served a clerkship in the office of Jarvis P. O'Brien. He opened an office in the Rice building in March, 1922, where he has been very successful in building up a clientele. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, Council No. 248, Knights of Columbus; deputy grand knight, 1920, advocate, 1921-22; also a

member of Troy Post, American Legion. In political faith he is a Democrat.

Mr. Shanley married, August 30, 1920, Rose B. Cavanaugh, of Watervliet, New York, daughter of James H. Cavanaugh, a leader of the Republican party in his town.

CHAUNCEY BUTLER PACKARD, M. D., a prominent physician of Rensselaer county and health officer of Berlin, New York, since 1916, has been engaged in the practice of his profession at Berlin since 1913. He was born at Troy, June 13, 1887, son of Angelo S. and Gertrude (Welch) Packard. His parents were residents of Troy, and Dr. Packard grew up in that city. His mother is now deceased.

Dr. Packard received his preliminary education in the public schools of his native city. After completing the grammar school course of instruction he proceeded to the Troy High School, and during his high school days, his attention was attracted by the medical profession. Naturally scientific in his tastes, and taking a great interest even then in the broad humanitarian aspects of medical science, he determined to become a physician. Accordingly, when he had completed his high school studies, he proceeded to Albany Medical College in order to acquire his professional training. He devoted himself to his studies with unusual energy and concentration and completed the course of instruction with great credit, being graduated as a member of the class of 1911 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

Dr. Packard began his professional career immediately after his graduation from Albany Medical College as an interne at the Troy Hospital. He spent a year at this institution and acquired a great deal of practical experience, thus supplementing his theoretical knowledge. In November, 1913, he came to Berlin and established himself in an independent practice. His high qualifications and thorough training enabled him to win the confidence of the community, and his practice increased in size with the passing of time. Taking from the very first an intelligent and far-seeing interest in all matters connected with the public health, Dr. Packard was always tireless in his efforts to improve social conditions and to lay stress upon the importance of preventive medicine and the necessity for practicing personal hygiene, especially for school children. In 1916 his efforts in these directions were recognized and he was elected health officer of Berlin, an office he has held ever since. During the year 1921, he also served as health officer of Petersburg, New York. In this important capacity he has rendered signal service to the community and has inaugurated many reforms, especially in regard to such matters as the proper inspection of stores, restaurants, and places where food is kept or sold, the maintenance of an abundant and pure water supply, the removal of waste and debris which might menace the health of the community, and the safeguarding of children by inspection of school buildings and such effective care as may be rendered by public health nurses and school hygienists. He has already become

widely known for his fidelity and devotion to the public welfare, and is everywhere regarded as a progressive and far-sighted citizen.

In politics Dr. Packard is a member of the Republican party, and a firm supporter of constructive policies. He has not yet found it advisable to affiliate himself with any fraternal or social organization, but takes an active interest in all movements designed to increase public prosperity and good fellowship.

Dr. Packard married, at Troy, on February 16, 1914, Edna Doring, daughter of George F. and Martha Doring. Dr. and Mrs. Packard have one daughter, Martha Gertrude, who was born at Berlin, June 12, 1915.

JOHN S. BECK—The Beck Printing Company, Inc., located in the Odd Fellows' Temple, One Hundred and Twelfth Street, Troy, New York, is a close corporation, John S. Beck and his sons, Fred A. and John Beck, owning the business, which is largely managed by Fred A. Beck, secretary and general manager. The company owns and operates one of the few Danish printing offices in the United States, and their work goes to almost every State in the Union. Their plant is modernly equipped for fine commercial printing, the company making that class of product their specialty. John S. Beck, the father, came to Lansingburg, then an independent municipality, in 1881, and prior to becoming president of the Beck Printing Company had been for many years a master plumber of Lansingburg, a business from which he had retired. He is the nominal head of the company, his sons being the active men, the father's usefulness having been in other fields. He is of Danish parentage, but born in Germany, in a part of Denmark taken by the Germans through conquest.

John S. Beck was born September 19, 1860, and came to New York City when a lad of fifteen years (1875). For seven years he followed the sea, then located in Troy, New York, where he began learning the plumber's trade, becoming proficiently engaged in business in Lansingburg (now a part of the city of Troy) and continuing for a quarter of a century before retiring. He became president of the Beck Printing Company at its incorporation in September, 1916.

John S. Beck was long very active in the organization known as the Danish Brotherhood, and organized lodges of the Brotherhood and the Danish Sisterhood all over the United States, wherever Danes had congregated. He was also active in church work and in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, particularly in the Order of Rebekahs, having organized the Lansingburg Rebekah Lodge, No. 454. He holds membership in the Masonic order, being affiliated with Phoenix Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons, and is a member of Hudson Valley Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Danish Brotherhood and Emanuel Danish Lutheran Church.

Mr. Beck married (first) Matilda Froliken, who died, leaving three children: Frederick A., of whom further; John, of whom further; and Anna M., of whom further. He married (second) Bollette Miller, and

they are the parents of a son, Alfred M., now a printer, residing in Schenectady, New York. The family residence is at No. 458 Ninth avenue.

Frederick A. Beck, eldest son of John S. and Matilda (Froliken) Beck, was born in Lansingburg, New York, October 12, 1888, and there was educated in the public schools. When fifteen years of age he became an apprentice at the printer's trade, and in 1904 went to California with his family and worked at his trade. He returned to Troy in 1906 and was employed at his trade for six years with the Troy "Times," and for four years was general manager of the American Printing Company, of Troy, New York. In September, 1916, he founded, with his father and brother, the Beck Printing Company, Inc., John S. Beck, president and treasurer; John Beck, vice-president; and Fred A. Beck, secretary and general manager, the last-named being the managing head of the business, which has become a very prosperous one.

Fred A. Beck has many affiliations, being a member of Phoenix Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons; Hudson Valley Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Troy Musical Union; Exempt Firemen's Association, (a volunteer fireman, 1914-1919, and was captain of Mason Hose Company one year, and treasurer several years); Troy Nest of Owls; the Danish Brotherhood, of which he was secretary and later financial secretary for years; the Emanuel Danish Lutheran Church, serving that church two years as trustee; United Typothetæ of America; Troy Typographical Union; Troy Chamber of Commerce; and Lansingburg Young Men's Christian Association. His clubs are: The Fellow Craft, Upper Troy Masonic, and the Republican. He also is a member of J. S. Fake Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1; and of the various Troy athletic societies.

Mr. Beck married, September 4, 1913, Helga Bentzen, daughter of Mads and Anna Bentzen, of Troy, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Beck are the parents of three children: Elinor B., Frederick I., and Warren E. The family home of Mr. Beck is at No. 454 Eighth avenue, North.

John Beck, second son of John S. and Matilda (Froliken) Beck, was educated in Lansingburg schools, and is now vice-president of the Beck Printing Company. He is a member of Phoenix Lodge, No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons, and of Hudson Valley Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Beck married, May 8, 1923, Sigrid O. Thomsen, of Troy, New York.

Anna M. Beck, only daughter of John S. and Matilda (Froliken) Beck, was born and educated in Lansingburg. She married Herbert T. Morris, and they have a son, Robert C.

EDWARD W. MOREY—Among those who have remained in the city of their birth throughout the entire period of their active career to the present time (1923) is Edward W. Morey, town superintendent of highways, who is one of the most widely known citizens of East Schodack, New York, and who has a host of friends both in the community in which he lives and in the portion of the county surrounding that town.

Mr. Morey was born in the town of Schodack, New York, October 11,

1869, son of Leonard and Amanda (Pitts) Morey, of Schodack, both now deceased. The father, who was well known and highly esteemed in Schodack, was for four years superintendent of the county alms house at Troy, New York, in which position he rendered efficient service.

After receiving a good practical education in the public schools of his native district, Edward W. Morey engaged in agricultural pursuits and successfully tilled the soil and harvested his crops until the time of his retirement. Since giving up the arduous labor of the farm, Mr. Morey has served as the efficient town superintendent of highways, and in that official capacity he is still making travel easy and pleasant in the town of Schodack. Politically he gives his support to the candidates and the principles of the Republican party, and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist church.

On October 23, 1897, Edward W. Morey married Emma J. Devereaux, daughter of Ransom and Priscilla (Pitts) Devereaux, of Nassau, New York.

LYND A. COX—To-day Snyder's Lake, New York, is known and loved by hundreds who find in its cool shadows, its sparkling waters, and its winding roads, not only relief from the city's heat, but healthful recreation and delightful companionship. The man who is most largely responsible for the development of that charming summer resort is Lynd A. Cox, who has been engaged in development work there for the past quarter of a century.

Malachi Cox, father of Lynd A. Cox, was born in 1860, and died July 29, 1902, aged forty-two years. Though he died at an age when most men are only approaching the zenith of their power, he had already in the short years of his active career become one of the prominent citizens of Albany county, both in business and in politics. He was a well known and successful cigar manufacturer, and he was also very prominent in political affairs, keeping in close touch with events in the State capitol and serving efficiently in local public office. He was at one time alderman of the Second Ward in Albany, and he also served as a county supervisor. He married (first) Bridget McDonald, who died in 1894, at the age of thirty-two years, and they were the parents of two children: Catherine, who married George Breen, of Albany; and Lynd A., of further mention. Mr. Cox married (second) Emma McGregor, of Albany, who died July 9, 1918. Mrs. Cox, with her stepson, Lynd A. Cox, were the pioneers in the development of Snyder's Lake, having built the first camp and pavilion at that place.

Lynd A. Cox, son of Malachi and Bridget (McDonald) Cox, was born in Albany, New York, August 24, 1887. After receiving a good practical education in the public schools of his native city he became a student in Albany Business College, where he finished his preparation for an active career. When his commercial course was completed, he found his first employment with the General Electric Company, in Schenectady, with whom he remained until 1900. In that year he went to Snyder's Lake and engaged in real estate development. During the

more than twenty-three years which have passed since that time, he has continued to reside in that locality and his efforts for the promotion of the interest of that section have been unceasing. He is a large landholder there himself, and has bought and sold many pieces of property during the long term of his residence there. He has seen the lake property develop from a little obscure country place to its present status as one as the most popular summer resorts and of late years as an all year round resort. This transformation which has brought increased prosperity to many has been largely the work of Mr. Cox, and the hundreds of people who, at some time during the year find rest and recreation there, agree that they owe to Mr. Cox a debt of gratitude for discovering and developing the place.

In 1913 Mr. Cox enlisted in the hospital corps of the 2nd Regiment of the New York National Guards, and his five years of service in that connection included the period of the World War. On December 7, 1917, he enlisted in the regular army, aviation corps, and was stationed at Camp Hempstead, from which place he was sent to England, where he was stationed with his company at Shrewsbury. He received his honorable discharge on December 17, 1918, holding the rank of corporal. Politically Mr. Cox gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Democratic party, and he has not refused to bear his share of the burden of local public office. He served as justice of the peace in 1921, and is still holding that office, his time not expiring until 1925. He is organizer and president of the Snyders Lake Camp Owners' Association. Fraternally he is a member of Troy Chapter, Knights of Columbus; and he is also a member of the Callahan Post of the American Legion. His religious affiliation is with the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Lynd A. Cox married, at Troy, New York, June 28, 1919, Helen A. Kearns, daughter of Roger and Margaret (Powers) Kearns, and they are the parents of two sons: Norman Francis, who was born August 21, 1920; and Lynd A., Jr., born July 14, 1923.

JOHN H. CIPPERLY, M. D., one of the foremost physicians of Rensselaer county and for many years active in the public service of his native city of Troy, has for forty-five years been a practicing physician here, first in institutional work, but during the greater part of the time in his private practice. Dr. Cipperly is a descendant of early settlers of the American Colonies, and is a son of Levi Cipperly, who was born in Brunswick, New York, and came to Troy when quite a young man. He was for many years a leading clothing merchant of Troy, highly esteemed among his associates and contemporaries, and lived to the age of eighty-three years. His store was located at No. 150 River street, opposite the wholesale grocery establishment of Russell Sage. He married Elizabeth Fonda, daughter of Peter and Jennie (Cameron) Fonda, who was born in New Scotland, Albany county, New York, of Scottish descent. Her paternal line was an old one in this State, and her mother, Jennie (Cameron) Fonda, was a cousin of Simon Cameron (1799-1889), who

was senator from Pennsylvania, 1845-77, and who, originally a Jacksonian Democrat and nominator of Buchanan, led his State into the Republican party in 1856. After being secretary of war under Lincoln, Simon Cameron was appointed minister to Russia, (1862-63). Dr. Cipperly possesses a very beautiful portrait of his maternal grandmother, done in oils, for which she sat, undoubtedly, by arrangement of the Cameron family.

John H. Cipperly, son of Levi and Elizabeth (Fonda) Cipperly, was born in Troy, New York, August 10, 1856, at No. 60 Second street, then the family residence. His education was acquired in the public schools of Troy, and Lansingburg Academy. He was graduated from the Troy High School in the class of 1875, then entered New York University, from the medical department of which he was graduated in the class of 1878, with the degree Doctor of Medicine. Immediately after receiving his degree, Dr. Cipperly was appointed assistant resident physician of the Marshall Infirmary, at Troy, and was identified with this institution in all for six years. With this excellent preparation and experience Dr. Cipperly took up the private practice of his chosen profession in Troy, and has gone forward without interruption, until now (1923) he is among the oldest practicing physicians in this city. For fourteen years Dr. Cipperly served the city of Troy as health officer (1886-1900) and this at a period when public health work was in its tentative stage and the entire twenty-four hours of the day scarcely sufficed for the work of which the conscientious physician saw the most urgent need. He did much constructive and permanently beneficial work in this office,—truly the work of the pioneer,—smoothing the way for those who should come after and opening gates which led to broader appreciation of civic responsibility in the profession and an intelligent application of public health measures among the people. The present rules of the board of health were adopted in 1886, during Dr. Cipperly's term of office. Dr. Cipperly was one of the first members of the Medical Association of Troy and vicinity, now out of existence. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, which he formerly served as vice-president; and is a member of the New York State Medical Society. He has always been an advocate of properly supervised athletics. As a young man he pitched on the high school baseball team, and on the New York University team; he also played lacrosse and cricket.

Dr. Cipperly married (first) Emma B. Messenkope, of New York City, who died in 1889. He married (second) in 1895, Margaret Van Der Heyden, of Troy, who is descended from Holland ancestry, who came to America in early Colonial days. Dr. and Mrs. Cipperly have a son, John Cameron, of further mention.

John Cameron Cipperly, only child of Dr. John H. and Margaret (Van Der Heyden) Cipperly, was born in Troy, New York, May 5, 1897, and was educated in the public and high schools of Troy. He went to the Mexican border with Company D, Tibbets Cadets, of Troy, then later enlisted in the World War, and was sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Spartansburg, South Carolina. He was commissioned second lieu-

tenant and went overseas with one of the earliest units to cross, and in France was detailed to the 27th Division, American Expeditionary Forces. He later served on the British front in Belgium and northern France, and was wounded on October 17, 1918. He was awarded a citation, special order No. 52, for courage and determination in St. Souplet, France, during the battle of Le Selle River. Upon his return to civilian life Mr. Cipperly entered journalism, and is now managing editor and a stockholder of "Highway Transportation," published by the Motor Truck Publishing Corporation, of New York City.

JOSEPH HORMATS—A very prominent member of his race and one of the really successful business men in Troy, New York, is Mr. Hormats, whose active interest in the welfare of Jewish citizens of that city is marked. His interest in civic affairs, however, is not exclusive, for he is affiliated with social and fraternal bodies also. His parents were Louis and Fannie (Gordon) Hormats, and the father was engaged in tailoring until his death. The mother is still living.

Joseph Hormats was born in the city of Troy, New York, September 14, 1893, where he attended the public schools until commencing his business career, which he did when quite young. He first learned the printer's trade and when that was thoroughly mastered he took up lithographing, purchasing the Burleigh Lithographing Company, established forty-four years ago, and adding a printing department to this plant. The success of his application to the details of these trades may be gauged by his present standing among concerns of like kind. Orders and inquiries are handled from all parts of the world in his establishment, and at present there are twenty-five employees engaged in this work.

The various organizations of which Mr. Hormats is a member are as follows: The Troy Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, president and organizer of the Troy Young Men's Hebrew Association, former New York State president of the Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Associations, deputy commissioner of the Troy Boy Scouts of America, former president of School No. 10, Alumni; and member of Typographical Union No. 52, of Troy. Fraternally he is a member of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and Iran Grotto, Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; of Trojan Lodge, No. 27, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past noble grand, and past district deputy grand secretary of Rensselaer District of same order, and the Modern Woodmen of America, of which he is consul. He was the Republican candidate for alderman of the First Ward in 1919, which is a strong Democratic Ward, and came within fifty-five votes of being elected. In religion he is a prominent member of the Synagogue Sharah Tephilah, and is widely engaged in charitable work.

During the World War he was field representative of the Jewish Welfare Board, having been located at New York City and Camp Merritt. Mr. Hormats was one of Troy's most active workers in local war activ-

ities. He coöperated in the work of the "four-minute" men; was a member of the War Service League of Troy; of Troy's Red Cross War Fund Committee; of Troy's Liberty Loan Committee; of Troy's War Savings Stamp Committee; was chairman of the Troy Branch Jewish Welfare Board; was volunteer information assistant in government insurance; a member of Mayor Burns' Soldiers' Reception Committee; and of the Service Men's Reëmployment Bureau of Troy.

Mr. Hormats married Edith Levine, of Chicago, Illinois, on March 19, 1916, and they are the parents of one child, Malcom Arthur.

RUSSELL M. VANDERZEE—The rapid manner in which the use of the automobile superseded the use of horse-drawn vehicles made it necessary that the business concerns which were engaged in meeting the demands of those who owned and drove horses, should change the character of their business so as to meet the changed requirements of their patronage. Among the many occupations which were jeopardized when the smooth hum of the self-propelled vehicle replaced the clatter of horses' hoofs on the highways was that of the blacksmith and the manufacturers of and dealers in bicycles. In both these lines only those concerns survived which adapted themselves to the new conditions. One of the blacksmith shops which in the course of time was transformed into an auto service and accessory sales station, but still retained its special usefulness to its rural patrons by also carrying a general line of farm and garden implements was the little blacksmith shop in which Russell M. Vanderzee learned his trade. Horse shoeing is still the principal business, and they also do auto repairing and blacksmithing.

Philip Sanford Vanderzee, father of Russell M. Vanderzee, spent practically his entire life in Wynantskill, New York, where throughout the period of his active career he was engaged in the successful conduct of a blacksmith shop, which he established in 1867. He was not just an ordinary "smithy," but very skillful and so progressive and enterprising, that at one time he was appointed by Governor Black as inspector of blacksmithing throughout the State of New York. He died on June 14, 1922. He married Rebecca Hubbard, who died August 6, 1915, and they were the parents of six children: Sanford, Emma, Rena, Edward, Netta, and Russell M., of further mention.

Russell M. Vanderzee, son of Philip Sanford and Rebecca (Hubbard) Vanderzee, was born in Wynantskill, New York, February 25, 1879, and received his education in the public schools of his native district. When his school training was completed he learned the trade of blacksmith with his father, and throughout the period of his career he has been identified with that business and with its modern successor, the automobile accessory and repair business. In 1919 he purchased the shop which his father owned and in which the father had wrought for so many years, and thoroughly renovated it. He made of it a thoroughly up-to-date, well-equipped, and well-managed auto accessory and repair business. The location, that of the old blacksmith shop, is a good one

and from year to year the number of autoists who patronize it is increasing. Mr. Vanderzee's long residence in that place and the great length of time covered by his own and his father's business activities in the same spot, have made him well acquainted with the residents of the country surrounding Wynantskill, and with hundreds who only occasionally travel through that section. His policy of "a square deal" and prompt and courteous service insure "repeat orders," and many tourists who find themselves in need of supplies manage to wait until they can reach that point in their journey in order that they may claim the services of Mr. Vanderzee. Along with his business activities, Mr. Vanderzee has been deeply interested and very active in local public affairs. Politically he gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party, and he has willingly borne his share of the burden of public office. Since 1911 he has served as the efficient town clerk of North Greenbush township, and for the past three years has been a member of the board of trustees of the school district, which latter body he has also served as chairman. Fraternally he is a member of Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Oriental Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; of Silver Brook Lodge, No. 722, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past district deputy of Rensselaer district; and of the Order of Protective Home Circle, of which he is past president. He is a member of Doring's Band and the Shriners' Band, of Troy. His religious affiliation is with the Reform church

Russell M. Vanderzee married, on June 20, 1900, at Wynantskill, New York, Agthea Packer, daughter of John and Barbara (Yates) Packer, and they are the parents of two children: Alfred, who was born January 6, 1909; and Velma, who died in 1918.

ALFRED E. ROCHE—Three generations of this family have lived in Troy, New York, where the fourth generation is now growing up; William Roche, the founder, who came to Troy in 1844, his son, William Joseph Roche, an eminent member of the New York bar, being head of the second generation in this branch, and Alfred E. Roche, son of William Joseph Roche, leading the third generation in this review.

William Roche, of ancient family, was born in Ireland, which land was his home until 1841, when he came to the United States, settling three years later in Troy, New York. He was for many years in the employ of the Borden Iron Works, but later and until his death in 1891, a salesman for the Thayer Mills, of Troy. His wife, also of Irish birth, came to the United States in 1845 and died in 1886.

William Joseph Roche, son of William Roche, was born in Troy, New York, March 7, 1853. He prepared for the profession of law, was admitted to the bar in 1874 and in 1878 became a member of the firm of Townsend & Roche. In 1891 that firm became Townsend, Roche & Nason, but Mr. Nason's election as county judge in that year caused his withdrawal, and the firm again became Townsend & Roche, so con-

tinuing until 1900. In that year Mr. Roche entered into a partnership with his brother, Edmund G. Roche, they practicing as Roche & Roche until the death of Edmund G. Roche in 1903. Mr. Roche then practiced alone until 1916, when the present firm, Roche, Tierney & Roche, was organized. Mr. Roche has held offices of responsibility and honor, is one of the leading lawyers of his city, a Democrat in politics, and member of the county, State and American Bar associations, the Troy Club, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of other societies and organizations. William J. Roche married, May 15, 1880, Mary L. Campain, of New York City, and they are the parents of four sons: William C., now his father's law partner, married Alice Marny, and has two children: William N. and Mary L.; Alfred E., of further mention; Frank L., married Helen Hartigan; Edmund G., Yale, A. B., married Winifred Stapleton and has a son, Edmund G., Jr.

Alfred E. Roche, second son of William J. and Mary L. (Campain) Roche, was born in Troy, October 16, 1884. He was graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with the degree of Civil Engineer, class of 1907, and at once began the practice of his profession in Troy. In 1912 he was appointed engineer of the city of Troy and has now held that office for more than a decade. He is devoted to his profession and the duties of his office, his outside interests being few. He is a skilled engineer and most ably discharges the obligations of the city engineer's office. He is a director of the Troy Trust Company, a member of many engineering societies, a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Roman Catholic church.

Alfred E. Roche married Laura Yund, of Amsterdam, daughter of Charles and Theresa Yund. Mr. and Mrs. Roche are the parents of two sons: Charles, and Louis.

FREDERICK C. CLAESSENS—Born in the city of Troy and educated in her preparatory schools and higher institutions of learning, Mr. Claessens has repaid, in continual citizenship and professional service, the debt he contracted in youth, and is a "Trojan" loyal and true. He chose the law as his life work, and is one of the successful men of that profession that so richly rewards her worthy sons.

Frederick C. Claessens was born in Troy, New York, October 29, 1877, son of Henry and Charlotte Claessens, his parents both deceased, his father a former manufacturer of Troy. Frederick C. Claessens attended La Salle Institute, and La Salle College, and after finishing his college course, taught school for a time. He also studied law while teaching, and later entered the law office of Morrill, Pattison & Faulkner as chief clerk. In 1901 he was admitted to the Rensselaer county bar, and for two years longer remained with Morrill, Pattison & Faulkner, resigning in 1903 to begin independent practice in Troy. He has built up a large clientele during the two decades which have since elapsed, his practice being largely in corporation law. His business interests are large, as well as his legal practice, he being president of the Modern Housing Company, treasurer of the Charles Collins & Sons

Lumber Company, a director of the Lawler & Cavanaugh Company, and the Troy Cold Storage Company, and of several other corporations of perhaps lesser importance. He is a member of Troy Chamber of Commerce, Rensselaer County Bar Association, the Rensselaer County Republican Club, and the Van Schaick Golf Club.

Mr. Claessens married Louise E. Kemp, of Troy, and they are the parents of a daughter, Eleanor Louise.

THOMAS WILLIAM PHELAN, M. D.—A member of the Students' Medical Corps of the United States army during the World War, Dr. Phelan has been engaged in the practice of medicine at Rensselaer since November 1, 1921. He was born at Lansingburg, New York, September 22, 1896, son of William H. and Decie (Gaffey) Phelan. His parents were influential members of the community of Lansingburg and were closely identified with its business and social life.

Dr. Phelan received his preliminary education in the public schools at Lansingburg. Later he became a pupil at the parochial school at Troy, his family and himself being Catholics. He completed his preparatory studies at the parochial school and then proceeded to La Salle Institute, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1914. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Manhattan College, New York. During his school and college days, Dr. Phelan had been greatly attracted by the medical profession. Naturally gifted with a scientific mind, interested in the humanitarian problems encountered by physicians and surgeons, and possessing that manual dexterity so indispensable to the successful medical practitioner, he determined to become a doctor. His parents were heartily in accord with this desire on his part, and accordingly he became a student at the Manhattan Preparatory Medical School after his graduation from the La Salle Institute. He spent some time in study at the Manhattan School and then proceeded to the Albany Medical College in order to complete his professional training. He was graduated from the Albany Medical College as a member of the class of 1920 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine and began his professional career immediately thereafter as an interne at St. Peter's Hospital, at Albany. Dr. Phelan remained at St. Peter's for a year, and then became an interne at Gouverneur Hospital, in New York City, where he remained for four months.

When the period of his internship at Gouverneur Hospital came to an end, Dr. Phelan decided to establish himself in an independent practice. After some consideration of various openings, he finally came to Rensselaer and opened his office in that city on November 1, 1921. Fully equipped by training and experience for the successful practice of his profession, Dr. Phelan was immediately successful. His skill and ability combined with his energetic and resourceful character inspired confidence and the number of his patients has steadily increased. He has become widely known and is regarded with respect and friendship by the older members of his profession as well as by the people in general. He

has not yet begun to specialize in any particular branch of medical science, but he has certain especial interests and spares no pains to keep up with the latest advances in medicine throughout the world.

Dr. Phelan is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Albany County Medical Society. He served in the Students' Medical Corps during the World War, and had not the signing of the armistice put an end to hostilities before the completion of his studies, would undoubtedly have received a commission in the United States Army Medical Corps. During his college days at the Albany Medical College, Dr. Phelan was elected to the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, of which he is an active member. In religious faith Dr. Phelan is a Catholic. He is unmarried.

STEPHEN J. BROWN—Rev. Stephen Decatur Brown, D. D., father of Mr. Brown, was a distinguished minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and passed away in 1875, being then a presiding elder of the New York Conference. He was born in Vermont, was educated for the ministry, and was twice the pastor of State Street Methodist Episcopal Church, of Troy, and also for one term pastor of North Second Street, now Fifth Avenue Methodist Church. He was a man of culture and power, eloquent and persuasive, and was particularly in demand at the dedication of new churches where his great gifts usually influenced his hearers to generous giving. He could have been elected to the Episcopal office at the general conference of 1872, but withdrew his name in favor of his friend, Stephen Merrill, who was chosen. He was in direct line for the next election in 1876, but his summons came in 1875, and he never filled the office of Bishop. Wesleyan University conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and he held many of the honors of his profession. He married, Lucy Herrick, born in Burlington, Vermont, and they were the parents of Stephen J., of further mention. Rev. Stephen D. Brown was a son of Judge Stephen S. Brown, a distinguished jurist of the State of Vermont.

Stephen J. Brown, son of Rev. Stephen D. and Lucy (Herrick) Brown, was born in Poughkeepsie, New York, March 22, 1861, and obtained his education in New York City public schools. He early entered business life, beginning his career with the wholesale grocery house, Louis DeGroff & Son, of New York City. Later he was in the employ of Aiken, Lambert Company, jewelers, of New York City. In 1880 Mr. Brown located in Troy, New York, his first position being as shipping clerk with Taylor & Staley, grocers, later going with the house of Morcy & Lee. In 1888 he bought an interest in the Globe Ventilator Company, and later affected a reorganization of the company. This was an old well-established business, their products going to every State in the Union and with some export trade. In 1908 the company was incorporated, Mr. Brown now being the efficient president.

In earlier years Mr. Brown belonged to many organizations, fraternal and social, from which he has now largely withdrawn. He is a member

of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the American Institute of Heating and Ventilating Engineers. He served State Street Church as a member of its board of stewards and for many years was church treasurer.

Mr. Brown married, October 24, 1888, Clara A. Morey, and to them was born a son, Herrick, who prepared for college in private and public schools, then entered Dartmouth College, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He is now an editorial writer on the New York "Evening Sun."

SIDNEY A. HIDLEY—Though the successful career of Sidney A. Hidley was terminated by death more than ten years ago, there are many in Troy and elsewhere who remember with deep respect and high esteem the receiving teller of the Union Bank of Troy, who efficiently served in that capacity from 1906 to 1911. He was well-known in Wynantskill, New York, both as a successful business man and a progressive and public-spirited citizen, as well as an honored friend and associate, and his death in 1910 was sincerely mourned by a host of those with whom he was associated.

Born in Brunswick, New York, June 6, 1890, son of Sidney and Flora (Koon) Hidley, Mr. Hidley died August 19, 1910. He received his early education in the public schools of his native district and then prepared for an active business career in Troy Business College. When his college course was completed he found his first employment with the Cluet Peabody Company, shirt manufacturers of Troy, with whom he remained until he became associated with a wholesale drug business of that city. After six years' experience in the latter line of activity he became associated with the Union Bank of Troy, which institution he served as assistant receiving teller from 1906 to the time of his death in 1911. As a faithful and conscientious employee of that bank, he very soon won the high esteem of his associates and the confidence of the patrons of the bank. Courteous, helpful, and watchful of the interests of both the bank and its depositors, he was an important factor in the management during the time of his connection with the bank. His death in 1910 came as a shock to his many friends and was a distinct loss both to the financial institution with which he was connected and the community at large. There are many citizens in Troy at the present time who will remember the gentle and kindly, yet altogether business-like and efficient assistant receiving teller who served in the Union Bank of Troy more than ten years ago, and who still have a kind thought for the personal qualities and for the sterling character of Sidney A. Hidley. Politically Mr. Hidley gave his support to the principles and candidates of the Republican party, though he took no active part in its affairs. He was a member of Wynantskill Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and his religious affiliation was with the Reformed church of Wynantskill.

Mr. Hidley married, September 20, 1905, at Wynantskill, Nettie A.

Van Derzee, daughter of Phillip S. and of Rebecca (Hubbard) Van Derzee. Her paternal grandparents were Harmon and Regina Van Derzee, and her maternal grandparents were William H. and Jane Anne (Murell) Hubbard. Mr. and Mrs. Hidley are the parents of two children: Donald Arden, who was born June 19, 1906; and Gordon Hubbard, who was born April 14, 1908.

JAMES J. KENNEDY—The monumental establishment owned by James J. Kennedy has been enlarged and improved until it occupies a place of distinction in the industrial personnel of the city of Troy, New York. Mr. Kennedy is a son of John and Honara (Murphy) Kennedy, natives of Ireland, and now deceased. The father was a member of the police force in this city.

James J. Kennedy was born at Troy, January 30, 1864, and when fourteen years of age left the Eleventh Ward Public School to learn stone-cutting. For a number of years he remained at his trade, employed in this State, Massachusetts, and elsewhere. While employed at the monumental works of John J. Shea, the proprietor died, and he took over the business, March 16, 1900. As soon as he took possession, the old machinery was replaced by new, the plant, rebuilt and enlarged to its present proportions, occupying an entire half-block. He became a trustee of St. Mary's Cemetery in February, 1905, and on April 4, 1912, assumed the duties of superintendent of the cemetery. Mr. Kennedy is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and of the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree.

Mr. Kennedy was united in marriage, June 28, 1894, with Ann M. Fitzpatrick, of Troy, and to this union were born eight children, as follows: 1. John J., educated in La Salle Institute, class of 1916; he served with the Medical Supply Corps during the World War, and is now employed by the Peterson & Packer Coal Company, of Troy, having charge of the Adams street coal pocket. 2. James F., a graduate of Troy High School, class of 1916, now a student in Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, class of 1924; at the outbreak of the World War he served as sergeant of Battery B, 34th Field Artillery, United States Army; he is now (1923) in business with his father. 3. Leo V., educated in La Salle Institute, class of 1918; he is now service manager in the Washington Park Garage. 4. Edward T., a graduate of La Salle Institute, class of 1919; he is now with the General Electric Company, in Schenectady, New York. 5. Mary, who died at the age of nine. 6. Francis J., educated in La Salle Institute, class of 1922. 7. W. Elmer, educated in La Salle Institute, class of 1923; now in business with his father. 8. Joseph A., now (1923) a student in La Salle Institute, class of 1926.

JOHN DENNIS CARROLL, M. D., came to Troy when a boy, with parents, and has won wide social and professional acquaintance and is well established as a skilled specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He is a graduate of Albany Medical College, class of 1916,

and was connected with Troy Hospital, and New York Eye and Ear Infirmary before entering the United States service during the war with Germany, but did not locate in this city for private practice until after his discharge from the army in the closing half of 1919.

John D. Carroll, son of Timothy and Mary E. (Kelleher) Carroll, was born at Turners Falls, Massachusetts, November 14, 1892, his parents now living in Troy, New York, where Timothy Carroll is engaged in business. The boy John D. Carroll attended grade and high school in Troy and later entered Albany Medical College, at Albany, New York, whence he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, class of 1916. He then spent a year as interne and house physician at Troy Hospital, after which he took a year's course in post-graduate work at New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, in New York City. From that course he went at once into the Medical Corps of the United States army, having been commissioned a first lieutenant in November, 1917, obtaining a leave of absence to finish his course at the Eye and Ear Hospital. He was assigned to duty at Mitchel Field, Long Island, and was surgeon-in-charge of the eye and ear department of the hospital there until September 19, 1919, when he was honorably discharged.

Immediately after his discharge from the army Dr. Carroll began private practice in Troy, New York, specializing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and so continues. He is assistant on the surgical staff of the eye and ear department of Troy Hospital, and an assistant on the surgical staff of St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital. He is a member of Rensselaer County Medical Society; New York State Medical Society; American Medical Association; Troy Council, No. 176, Knights of Columbus, and fourth degree member of Father Van Rensselaer Assembly; Troy Chamber of Commerce; a charter member of Noble Callahan Post, American Legion, and is a communicant of St. Francis Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Carroll married, on October 31, 1922, Katherine J. O'Keefe, of Walloomsac, New York, daughter of John and Katherine (Leonard) O'Keefe. The family home is No. 229 Pawling avenue, Troy. Dr. Carroll is fond of out-of-door sports, particularly tennis, and during the winter season he keeps himself fit by indulgence in another favorite sport, bowling. He has won high standing in Troy during his few years of practice, and has a satisfactory private practice in addition to his institutional work. He is highly regarded among men of his profession and has won public confidence and approval to an unusual degree. His offices are at No. 1831 Fifth avenue, Troy.

CHARLES PATRICK RIORDAN—A leader of the Democratic party, and a prominent member of the Typographical Union, in which he has held every office, Mr. Riordan is one of the most prominent citizens of Troy. He was born at Little Falls, Herkimer county, New York, June 29, 1858, son of Eugene and Mary (Kenny) Riordan. His father, who came of an old Irish family of landowners, was born in County

Cork, Ireland, and came to the United States while he was quite young. When Mr. Riordan was five years old, his parents moved to Troy, and his father, who had acquired the trade of a machinist as a lad, established himself in business and before long acquired a reputation for his skill and ability. Mr. Riordan's mother, like his father, was a member of a representative Irish family and was a native of Roscommon, Ireland. Both of his parents are now deceased, his father having died in 1888 and his mother in 1885.

Mr. Riordan was educated in the schools of Troy. His family and himself being Catholics, he was enrolled first as a pupil of St. Joseph's School. Later, he studied for a short time at the Ninth Ward Public School, and he completed his studies at the Christian Brothers' College. This college, which is now La Salle Institute, has always been conducted by the Christian Brothers, who have done such wonderful work as teachers of Catholic boys, and Mr. Riordan has always felt the greatest affection for the school, although he was not there for very long. He was gifted with great energy and an ambition to achieve an independent success, and this led him to begin to work at a very early age. He spent all the time he could spare from his lessons in delivering newspapers, and doing the various other odd jobs that a quick and energetic boy can always find. When he was fifteen years old he decided to become entirely self-supporting and found a position at the old Rensselaer Iron and Steel Company's plant. His parents were pleased by his energy, and his father put no obstacles in the way of his independent career, believing that if he were given a free field for exercise of his abilities he would find greater happiness and a more substantial success than if his life were too rigidly planned for him. Mr. Riordan found his work with the Rensselaer Iron and Steel Company very interesting and remained with the firm for some years, rising to the position of assistant weighmaster before leaving them. Finally, after having devoted some years to the iron and steel business, he decided that he would do well to acquire a trade, as his father had done, and eventually by long practice and devotion to his chosen work to become a master of it. He turned to stone masonry for a while, but after having spent a year in this trade, decided that it did not suit him so well as another might. His interests were chiefly intellectual, and although he has always had a great interest in constructive work of all kinds and finds building a fascinating subject, he was not satisfied to become a stone mason. He turned, therefore, to the field of printing, and, on September 25, 1875, formed an association with the Troy Press, entering the service of this firm as an apprentice printer. In this work he found his true vocation and he has continued in it ever since. He learned quickly and made rapid progress, until at last he was thoroughly capable at every branch of the trade. On April 11, 1881, he joined the Typographical Union, and during the years that have passed since that time he has held every office in the Union. He has always taken the broadest general interest in his work, and has devoted a great deal of time to the study of the history and development

of printing from the first rude blocks used for printing in Germany to the complicated and delicate machinery now in use. He is an expert on type faces and various styles of printing, and his ability is everywhere recognized. He has been associated with only two firms during the course of his entire career, the Troy Press, with which he began, and the Troy Times Art Press, with which he now works. His relations with his associates have always been agreeable and friendly, and his judgment is highly respected in all ranks of the industry.

In politics, Mr. Riordan is a consistent Democrat. He early began to take an interest in politics, considering all issues from the standpoint of a worker. In November, 1911, he was elected to the Rensselaer County Board of Supervisors as the representative of the Ninth Ward in Troy. He was elected for a two years' term, including the years 1912 and 1913, and he has been reëlected every term since. During his first term he served as a member of the printing committee; and in the term, 1914-1915, he was the Democratic (majority) floor leader and chairman of the finance committee. In the period from 1916 to 1921 he was Democratic floor leader for the minority, and served as ranking minority member of the finance committee and the building committee, which are the two most important committees of the board. He has always taken a great interest in the public welfare of the community and has devoted all his efforts to furthering the cause of progress. He introduced the resolution to the board which led to the building of the Pawling Sanitarium, of Rensselaer county, and which made it possible to erect this magnificent structure. At the dedication of the sanitarium, he acted as speaker for the board of supervisors, and everyone present was touched by the depth of insight and sympathy which he expressed in his speech. Among his many other important activities he was a member and served as secretary of the committee that worked on the building of the present beautiful county court house, and his efforts as a member of this body will always be remembered with gratitude by his fellow-citizens. Mr. Riordan and his family belong to the parish of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Mr. Riordan belongs to St. Joseph's Club, and to the Married Men's Sodality of the church, and takes the greatest interest in all the church work. He is a vigorous supporter of the parochial schools, and has an especial affection for St. Joseph's School, where he received the greater part of his education, and from which his children have been graduated.

Mr. Riordan married, on January 7, 1884, Ellen A. Conway, of Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Riordan died September 20, 1922, and was deeply mourned throughout the city, where she had many friends and was widely known for her charitable work and her hearty co-operation in civic enterprises. Mr. Riordan has three children living: Charles Patrick, Jr., who is the station master on the Delaware & Hudson railroad at the cemetery station; James H., who is a member of the Third Precinct Police Force of the Troy Police Department; and Mary F. His two other children Frank and John, died at the ages of ten and four years respectively.

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ARTHUR JAMES BURCH—The city of Troy is fortunate in her long list of able and successful business men who are building for her an economic prosperity which is steadily attracting new residents and new business enterprises. One of the well-known business men of the city is Arthur James Burch, member of the board of directors and treasurer of the large concern which operates under the name of John Leggett & Son, Incorporated.

Mr. Burch is a son of Welling Wesley, who is in government employ as a railway postal clerk, and Jessie F. (Wait) Burch. Born in Easton, Washington county, New York, August 24, 1877, he received his earliest school training in District School No. 6, Easton, and then became a student in Marshall's Seminary, in the same town. He completed his preparation for an active career by taking a course in Troy Business College, Troy, New York, and then in 1893, found his first employment as bookkeeper for Edward B. Cox, of Troy, with whom he remained until 1897, when he entered the employ of the International Shirt and Collar Company in the same capacity. Six years later he was made a member of the board of directors and elected to the official position of secretary of that concern. He devoted his time and his energies to the duties of that position and then became a member of the board of directors and secretary of the Curtis Leggett & Company, of Troy, New York, which position he held for one year. In 1907 he was made the executive for the concern of John Leggett & Son, with whom he has remained to the present time (1923). His present official position being that of a member of the board of directors and treasurer. The concern is engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes and is one of the well-established enterprises of the city of Troy. In addition to his activities and responsibilities in connection with the concern already mentioned, Mr. Burch is also a member of the board of directors and president of the Troy Coöperative Savings and Loan Association, of Troy, New York. Mr. Burch is well-known and very highly esteemed as a most capable and successful business man and though he has succeeded to a marked degree in his business connections. he has also found time for responsibilities of a public and semi-philanthropic nature. He is a member of the board of directors of the Leonard Hospital of Troy; director and vice-president of the Lansingburg Young Men's Christian Association; member of the Permanent Association Board of the Salvation Army, of Troy, New York; director of the Capital District Employers' Association, of Troy; and treasurer of the local council, Boy Scouts of America. He is also well-known in fraternal and club circles. He is a member of King Solomon's Primitive Lodge, No. 91, Free and Accepted Masons, which he serves as past master and as present treasurer; Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Delta Lodge of Perfection; Delta Council, Prince of Jerusalem; Delta Chapter, Rose Croix; Albany Sovereign Consistory, Supreme Princes of the Royal Secret; and of Iron

Grotto, No. 14, Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, of which he is past monarch and present trustee. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and is also a member of the Masonic Club. He is a member of the Central Young Men's Christian Association, of Troy, New York; of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, which he has served as a member of the board of directors and as secretary of that board; of the Riverside Club, of Troy; of the Westminster Club, of Troy, which he serves as president; of the Rotary Club, of Troy, which he has served as president and secretary in 1916-17; and of the Troy Automobile Club, which he now serves as secretary and treasurer. His religious affiliation is with the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of Troy, which he serves as a member of the board of trustees. In all these many and various connections Mr. Burch renders valuable service, not only to the individual organization but to the community as well.

Arthur James Burch married, at Waterford, New York, November 21, 1900, Jessie E. Hemstead, daughter of John and Mary L. (Lewis) Hemstead. Mr. and Mrs. Burch have no children. Their residence is at No. 846 Second avenue.

JOHN JOSEPH QUINLAN, M. D., a member of the Students' Army Training Corps during the World War, has already made a name for himself among the members of his profession at Troy. He was born at Watervliet, New York, November 4, 1897, son of John F. and Ann (Ruther) Quinlan. His parents are residents of Watervliet, where his father, who is an expert machinist, is engaged in business.

Dr. Quinlan received his preliminary education in the public schools of his native town and was graduated from the Watervliet High School upon completion of the full curriculum. During his school days his interest in the medical profession was aroused and, after careful consideration, he decided to become a physician. His tastes were naturally scientific, and he felt, even as a boy, a deep sympathy for those afflicted by ill health and a great interest in the broad humanitarian work which is being carried on throughout the world by the advanced thinkers and workers of the medical and other allied professions. His parents approved of his desire to become a physician and accordingly, he became a student at the Albany Medical College for the purpose of acquiring his professional training. His circumstances were such however, that he decided to work his way through and thus assist his father in the work of maintaining his family. He found congenial employment without difficulty and was able to meet all his expenses during his college years and at the same time to devote himself to his studies with unimpaired energy and concentration. In 1910, a year before his graduation from the Albany Medical College, he entered the Troy Hospital as an interne and served in that capacity for a year, thus supplementing his more theoretical studies with a great deal of practical experience. In 1920 he was graduated from the Albany Medical College with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He maintained his connection with the Troy Hospital for the

next two years and a half, serving as resident physician during the years 1920, 1921, and until August, 1922. Although he then decided to establish himself in an independent practice, and accordingly, left the Troy Hospital, he is still a member of the medical staff, acting as visiting physician. He is also attending physician for the Home for the Aged, conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor. A great believer in scientific equipment, Dr. Quinlan's offices, at No. 269 Pawling avenue, are extremely attractive and present a decided contrast to the dingy, ill-lighted offices which so many doctors still consider suitable. Dr. Quinlan has been remarkably successful since he began his independent practice and he now has many patients, all of whom place the utmost reliance upon his judgment. He is generally recognized as one of the most alert and progressive of the younger members of the medical fraternity. He devotes all his time to his profession and spares no pains to keep up with the latest advances of science. He is a vigorous advocate of preventive medicine and believes that the health of school children should be maintained with the greatest care for the good of the future generation. His efforts on behalf of his patients and the community-in-general are deeply appreciated and he is highly esteemed by all classes, who regard his career with interest.

During the World War Dr. Quinlan served as a member of the Students' Army Training Corps, but he was not called into active service. He is a member of the Rensselaer County Medical Society, but has so far found it inadvisable to affiliate himself with any other organization of a professional, fraternal, or social character, since his time is fully occupied by the cares of his practice.

Dr. Quinlan married, in October, 1923, Clara Flanigan, a daughter of William T. and Agnes (Carl) Flanigan, of Watervliet, New York. The family residence is at No. 269 Pawling avenue.

FRANK K. CRAVER—Among the well-known citizens of Wynantskill, New York, is Frank K. Craver, who, after ten years of business experience handling coal in Troy, New York, returned to Wynantskill, where he has since been associated with the Ketchum General Store.

Born in Troy, Rensselaer county, New York, October 5, 1888, son of John L. and Delia (Koon) Craver, Mr. Craver received a practical education in the public schools of Troy, and then became his father's assistant on a large dairy farm. That connection he maintained until 1910 and then went to Troy, where he was engaged in the coal business for a period of ten years. In 1920 he returned to Wynantskill and associated himself with the Ketchum General Store. For the past three years he has devoted his energies to the advancement of the interests of that enterprise and has made himself notably useful in that connection. Politically Mr. Craver gives his support to the Democratic party, and in 1920 he was elected to fill the office of tax collector of North Greenbush township. That official position he still holds (1923). Fraternally he is a member of Silver Brook Lodge, No. 722, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Wynantskill, New York.

Frank K. Craver married, on August 10, 1910, Eva M. Hall, daughter of Henry and Eliza (Hammond) Hall, and they are the parents of five children: Winifred May, Ruth Alice, Frank K., Jr., Alvin Henry, and Clarence Richard.

BENJAMIN CHUCKROW—Civic matters and politics have served to keep Mr. Chuckrow very closely in touch with progressive movements in his native city, Troy, New York, and his interest in such affairs has resulted in benefiting the community-at-large. His poultry and provision business is one of the oldest establishments in this city, and is in a very prosperous condition.

Benjamin Chuckrow was born October 25, 1895, a son of Joseph and Annie (Mott) Chuckrow. His father, now deceased, established the business which the sons are continuing, and it is known as Joseph Chuckrow's Sons, the other two sons being Charles, born in 1890, and Irving born in 1898. Benjamin Chuckrow secured his education in public schools Nos. 9 and 10, and was a student in the high school at the outbreak of the World War. Due to his enlisting in the State Guard and later participation in the World War, his course in the high school was not completed, and upon retiring from service, entered business. He enlisted in Company C, 2nd Regiment, New York State Guards, in 1912, and went to the Mexican border in 1916 with this unit, where he was promoted to the rank of sergeant. In 1917 he was transferred to Company C, of the 105th Regiment, at Spartansburg, South Carolina; but later, in 1918, was transferred as a sergeant in the supply division and remained as such, stationed at the port of embarkation, Newport News, Virginia. He was discharged from the army in 1920. The welfare of ex-soldiers has been a matter of concern to Mr. Chuckrow, who organized a relief for disabled veterans in the First Ward of the city, and was a charter member of the Troy branch of the American Legion. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the board of supervisors of Rensselaer county, New York, also on the Committee for the Care of Orphans. He served as captain in the Salvation Army drives and was a member of the board of elections at Camp Wadsworth during the World War.

Mr. Chuckrow affiliates with Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons; Iran Grotto, Oriental Shrine; is an Odd Fellows in Trojan Lodge, No. 27; and is a charter member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association and one of the directors and vice-president. He is also a member of the United Commercial Travelers' Association, No. 403, of Troy. In religion he attends the Division street synagogue. Athletics have always had their appeal to him, baseball, basketball and football being the sports in which he has principally indulged.

N. LOUJER FONDA—A native son of Troy, New York, Mr. Fonda has had a long and interesting career. He was born at Troy, New York, January 1, 1869, son of Cornelius S. and Mary (Beebee) Fonda. His father was one of the pioneer dairy farmers of Troy, and had an exten-

sive dairy farm, to the care and management of which he devoted the whole of his time and attention during the active years of his life. Mr. Fonda's mother was a member of an old New York family, and took an active part in the management of the dairy for some years.

Mr. Fonda received his education in the Albia School in the Fifth Ward, but left school at a very early age in order to assist his father in the work of the dairy farm. He did not, however, give up all study, but consistently and systematically carried on his education by careful reading, a painstaking and accurate observation of the life around him, and conversation with men of many trades and callings, who were masters of their work and from whom he acquired an insight into many phases of life. Although he was only a little lad when he left school, Mr. Fonda had so much native sense and such a readiness to assume his share of life's responsibilities that he was given charge of eighty-five milch cows, and to their care he devoted his time until he was sixteen years old. At that time he went West, spending three years in Illinois, and then decided to return to his native city, and not long after his return, formed an advantageous connection with Wallace Millard, the proprietor of a well-known Troy undertaker's establishment. This connection was both agreeable and profitable, and Mr. Fonda stayed with Mr. Millard until 1895, when his attention was drawn to the business of undertaking and funeral directing. He decided to enter this field of endeavor, and, after a period of careful training, to establish himself in an independent business. He associated himself with Calvin H. Clark, one of the most prominent firms of undertakers in the city, and remained with them until 1904, when he founded his present business at No. 837 River street, Troy. His parlors are conveniently situated, and are maintained with the utmost dignity and with appropriate simplicity. He has made many friends throughout the community, and all classes feel the greatest regard for him and appreciate his efforts to serve those who come to him in affliction, and who willingly entrust to him the care of the arrangements for the funerals of their friends and relatives. At the present time Mr. Fonda's son, Cornelius S. Fonda, is associated with him in the management of the business, and has been of invaluable assistance to his father in the work of the firm.

In religious faith Mr. Fonda and his family are members of the Sixth Avenue Baptist Church, and they are regular attendants at its services, taking the greatest interest in every phase of the church work. In politics he is a Republican. He formerly took a very active part in political affairs, but of late years his interest in politics has waned, and he no longer takes part in them except for voting upon matters that concern him in a particular matter, and on issues of national importance. Mr. Fonda is a member of the Diamond Rock Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is also a Mason of long standing, and holds membership in the King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Phoenix Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; the Mystic Shrine;

and the Masonic Club, taking the greatest interest in the work of all these bodies. Mr. Fonda now finds his chief recreation in the quiet home life of his family circle and in the companionship of his friends and acquaintances.

On July 18, 1890, Mr. Fonda married, at Troy, Katherine Foley, of Troy. Mr. and Mrs. Fonda have one son, Cornelius S. Fonda. He was educated in the public schools of Troy and at the Troy Business College. Upon completion of his studies, he associated himself with his father in the business and learned the work under his direction. He has remained with him ever since and is now his chief assistant. He married Florence Adams, of Troy, and has one daughter, Catherine E. Fonda, who was born at Troy.

JAMES N. BUSSEY—The motoring public of Rensselaer county, New York, finds in the garage and equipment of the firm of James N. Bussey, Inc., one of the most efficient and up-to-date establishments in a wide region for the sale and repair of automobiles. Mr. Bussey, who is a native of Chicago, Illinois, and who has lived much in the West, is achieving marked success as the head and owner of this enterprise.

Mr. Bussey was born in Chicago, Illinois, April 27, 1880, and during his childhood and youth the family resided in New Mexico, Colorado and California. His formal education was received in the schools of these States, but he has probably received even greater practical benefit from the experience of travel and residence in these localities of the West. Coming to Troy in 1900, Mr. Bussey became connected with the Bussey & McLeod Stove Company, which was organized by his grandfather, Esek Bussey, nearly a half century before, and remained with that concern until 1913. In that year Mr. Bussey secured the agency for the Maxwell car and built his present headquarters, then known as the Illiam Garage. The firm was first a partnership, but in 1915 was incorporated as the Oldsmobile Distrubuting Corporation. In 1917 Mr. Bussey took over the Ford agency and the name was again changed, taking its present form of James N. Bussey, Inc. He handles all models of the Ford and Lincoln cars, also the Fordson tractors, and has the most complete equipment for assembling and repairing Ford products. Few establishments of this kind in the East are more fully or modernly equipped. Mr. Bussey handles a very complete line of tires for Ford cars and also a full assortment of Ford parts. The salesroom and office occupy a two-story building, 50x70 in ground dimensions, and the assembling rooms and warehouse occupy a one-story building 50x130, the former located at No. 176 Third street, and the latter at the corner of Second and Division streets. Mr. Bussey is counted among the broad-minded and progressive men of the day in Troy, and since the year 1911 he has been a member of the Civil Service Commission. He is a member of the Troy Club and the Troy Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Bussey married, January 6, 1911, Helene M. Bord, daughter of George S. and Margaret (Murray) Bord, of Troy, and they have one daughter, Mary Jane, born July 17, 1917.

BERTRAM J. BAKER, M. D.—Since 1914 Dr. Baker has practiced in Troy as a specialist in diseases of the nose, throat and ear, and since 1919 has devoted himself exclusively to that branch of practice. He has been very successful in his practice and is highly rated by his contemporaries, although comparatively a young man both in years and experience.

Dr. Baker was born in Warrensburg, Warren county, New York, on October 4, 1885, the son of Wallace and Adelaide (Everts) Baker, of Warrensburg. After completing public school study with graduation from Warrensburg High School he read medicine for some time then entered Physicians and Surgeons College, Baltimore, Maryland, for two years, and later entered Albany Medical School, whence he was graduated an honor man, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, class of 1912.

After graduation Dr. Baker served a term as interne at Troy City Hospital, then in 1913 began general practice in Troy. He took special courses in diseases of the nose, throat and ear at Roosevelt Hospital, Post Graduate Hospital, New York Eye and Ear Hospital, all of New York City, and in 1914 began specializing in those diseases. He continued to accept other classes of patients until 1919, when he gave himself entirely to his specialty and so continues (1923).

In addition to his private practice Dr. Baker is laryngologist and rhinologist for Leonard Hospital, Troy, and during the war period with Germany, 1917-18, was assistant medical examiner for the government. He is a member of Rensselaer County Medical Society, New York Medical Society, Omega Epsilon Phi fraternity, and the Society of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists of Eastern New York.

Dr. Baker married, March 4, 1918, Harriet Griffith, of Burlington, Vermont, daughter of Walter A. and Mina E. (Wright) Griffith, of Burlington, Vermont.

JOHN JOSEPH EVERS—For almost a quarter of a century John Joseph Evers, battalion chief of the fire department of Troy, New York, has served as a member of the paid fire department of that city, but previous to his entrance into the life of the professional fire fighter he was engaged in another professional field, that of the professional baseball player. In both lines of activity he has made an honorable and enviable record, and still maintains an active interest in athletics.

Born in Troy, New York, June 14, 1880, Mr. Evers is a son of Thomas J. Evers, who was engaged as an iron worker in the stove manufacturing business, and of Helen B. (Duffy) Evers, daughter of one of the old-time tavern keepers of Troy. He received his early education in Public School No. 3, in Troy, and then became a student in St. Patrick's School. After a time, however, he returned to the public school, and in Public School No. 3 he completed his formal school training, when he was sixteen years of age. During his school days he had become a member of the Laureate Boat Club, and had been an active member of the football, baseball and basketball teams, and though, after the completion of his school training, he found his first employment in

one of the collar factories of Troy, he did not remain there for long. He entered the collar factory in 1896, but the following year (1897) he began playing baseball as a professional, which occupation he continued for a period of fifteen years, from 1897 to 1912. Though he began his professional career as a baseball player in Lebanon, New York, and remained there from 1897 to the latter part of 1898, his contract later took him to many different cities, including Brockton, Massachusetts, in 1899; Troy, New York, 1900; Davenport, Iowa, 1901; Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 1902; 1903, Rochester, New York; 1904, Albany, New York; 1905, Macon, Georgia; 1906, Atlanta, Georgia; 1907, Charleston, South Carolina; 1908, Hoosick Falls, New York, where he was manager of a team; 1909, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania; and 1910-12, at York, Pennsylvania. In 1898 he served as volunteer fireman in the city of Troy, with Rarken Steamer No. 2, as hoseman. He was still playing professional baseball, but later he became a paid fireman for a few months between the baseball seasons. Finally, however, he became a paid fireman on the regular force, and in 1911 he served as hoseman with Eddy Steamer No. 4. In July, 1918, he was made captain of Truck No. 2, and went to New York City for a five-week course in the fire school there, from which he received his diploma in February, 1919, and in June, 1922, he was made battalion chief of the fire department of Troy, New York, which important position he has continued to fill to the present time (1923). He has now completed twelve years of active service as a paid fireman in the city of Troy, and during that time has rendered most excellent service to the city. He is a trustee of the New York State Permanent Firemen's Association. The energy and enthusiasm, also the love of adventure, which play an important part of his career as a professional baseball player, have been put to excellent use in his career as a fireman, and he has had many exciting adventures during his time of service in the department. He is still interested in athletics, but does not take as strenuous a part in those activities as he did in earlier years. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Lansingburg Council; of St. Joseph's Club; and of the Holy Name Society; and his religious affiliation is with St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, of Troy, New York.

On January 7, 1903, at Troy, New York, John Joseph Evers married Margaret C. Jackson, daughter of James J. and Margaret (Fitzgerald) Jackson, of Troy, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Evers are the parents of four children: Mary Helen, who died at the age of ten years; John Joseph, Jr., who is a student in St. Augustine's School, Troy, New York; Thomas James, who is also a student in St. Augustine's School; and Margaret C., who is a student in Our Lady of the Star Boarding School at Saratoga, New York.

JOHN HENRY WARNER—In the industrial world of Rensselaer county, New York, John Henry Warner holds a prominent position as general superintendent of the Faith Knitting Company, Averill Park. Mr. Warner has been active in the production of knit goods from his

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youth, and with his wide experience and executive ability he has taken up the responsibilities of his present position with the hand of the broadly capable executive. Mr. Warner is a son of William and Margaret (Moran) Warner. His father, who was born in Devonshire, England, and came to the United States as a young man, was the owner of a mill at Amsterdam, New York, and for many years a manufacturer of knit goods. He died March 8, 1893.

John Henry Warner was born at Cohoes, New York, October 21, 1875. His education was limited to the advantages of the public and high schools, and at an early age he became associated with his father in the knitting mills in Amsterdam, New York. Remaining with his father until 1896, Mr. Warner then went to Toronto, Canada, his purpose being to gain wider experience in the same general field. There he became identified with Joseph Simpson's Sons' Company, and eventually became general superintendent of their plant, remaining with that concern until 1908. He then accepted a similar position with the Gordon McKay Company of Toronto, where he was active in a similar capacity until 1912. Thereafter returning to the Simpson plant, he resumed his old position as general superintendent there, then, in 1915, came to the Union Mills, of Hudson, New York, where he filled a similar position until 1921. He then assumed his present responsibilities and has since definitely increased the efficiency of the organization and materially added to the volume of its output. He is counted among the really progressive and significant executives of this section, and is a valued member of the organization. Politically, Mr. Warner supports the Republican party, and he is widely known fraternally in the Masonic order, being a member of the Lodge, Commandery, and Consistory, holding the thirty-second degree in the latter order; he is also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Warner married, at Amsterdam, New York, October 2, 1896, Minnie Peterson, daughter of Peter and Christina Peterson. Mr. and Mrs. Warner reside at Averill Park, New York.

EDWARD RENDERT—This well-known citizen of Averill Park was born August 25, 1862, at that place, and is a son of William and Caroline (Shrader) Rendert, the former a native of Germany. William Rendert was a brushmaker and farmer of Sand Lake, New York. He died in 1900, at the age of eighty-three, and his widow passed away in 1911, being then eighty-seven years old.

The education of Edward Rendert was received in local schools and he remained on the home farm until his twenty-third year, when he entered the service of J. H. Warger, who was engaged in the grocery business. At the end of seven years he left him and during the ensuing seven years was employed by the Faith Knitting Company. In 1916 he established a Ford sales agency and garage, which he still conducts. He also deals in farming implements, including harvesters, tractors, and the like. He erected the modern building in which his business is housed and also the two adjoining dwellings.

The vote and influence of Mr. Rendert are given in support of the principles of the Republican party. For four years he served as superintendent of highways, and during the World War he did special work for the State of New York and also for the Federal government. He affiliates with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Averill Park, and with the Maccabees. His religious membership is in the Lutheran church.

Mr. Rendert married, December 25, 1884, at Sand Lake, Christina Rollman, daughter of John and Margaret Rollman, and they are the parents of one son, William D., born August 14, 1898, at Sand Lake.

JACOB BIRKMAYER—In the publishing business in Troy, New York, Mr. Birkmayer has for many years held a prominent position, and his contribution to the progress of the time has been such as to entitle him to the respect and esteem of his contemporaries. As the editor and publisher for thirty-three years of the Troy "Freie Press," he has borne a constructive and broadly progressive part in the general advance, especially in giving to the German-speaking public the spirit of the progress which American institutions were achieving and American thought and effort attained.

Jacob Birkmayer was born in Germany, January 24, 1859, and his education was acquired in the schools of his native land. Coming to America as a young man, he settled in Troy in 1882, and for a time was employed in mercantile pursuits, principally as salesman in the furniture stores of Troy, and this and other work in Albany. In 1890, Mr. Birkmayer became identified with the Troy "Freie Press," the oldest newspaper published in the German language in Eastern New York State outside of New York City, it having been founded in 1872, under the name of the Troy "Volksfreund." Otto Offenhauser sold the paper to August Hillebrand, who changed the name to the "Freie Deutsche Presse." It was next sold to the Albany Herald Company, which concern did the press work, although the editorial offices remained in Troy. In 1905 Robert A. Patchke took over the plant and reorganized the business, in association with Mr. Birkmayer, who became secretary of the concern, while Mr. Patchke became president. At that time the name of the paper was changed to the Troy "Freie Press," and the incorporated publishers went forward under the firm name of the German Printing and Publishing Company, Inc., then, in 1917, Frederick P. Hubrich became president. Since 1890, Mr. Birkmayer has been editor of this paper, and his influence has always been on the side of progress, interpreting from the events of the passing years a practical optimism and a theory of life which gives to every man a place in the effort for the general good. The Troy "Freie Press" is a weekly paper, as it has always been, and its circulation is by no means limited to this vicinity, although the nucleus of its influence is in Troy and nearby communities. The company does a very extensive job-printing business also, and many of their employees have been with them long, one in particular for twenty-four years. Mr. Birkmayer keeps in close touch with many

branches of organized endeavor, and is a member of the Troy German Hall Association, Troy Maennerchor, and is a member of the National Deutsche-American Publishers' Association. He has few interests which do not, at least in a measure, bear upon his work, but his choice of recreative interests is travel.

Mr. Birkmayer married Caroline Albert, of Troy, and they are the parents of four children: William G., who married May Hoffman, and had five children; Louis A., who married Ellen Taft, and served for twenty-two months in the World War; George W.; and Caroline B. All these children were educated in the public and high schools of Troy.

SCHUYLER McCULLOCH MARTIN, M. D.—To the fact that Dr. Martin devoted his summer vacation periods while a medical student to special study in the X-ray laboratory of the General Electric Company at Schenectady, New York, may be attributed his present eminence as a Roentgenologist. He is a resident of Troy, New York, and son of Shaver and Elizabeth (McCulloch) Martin.

Dr. Martin was born August 25, 1889, at Saugerties, Ulster county, New York, whence the family moved to Albany, New York, while he was yet an infant. Here he attended Public Schools Nos. 2 and 24, and later St. John's Military Academy, from which he was graduated in 1907, in the regular course, subsequently taking a special course which he completed in 1909. He then attended Union College, from which he was graduated in the medical course with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1913, thereupon becoming an interne at the Samaritan Hospital, at Troy, where he remained for one year in that capacity. At the completion of this period he became resident physician for a term of two years in the same hospital, and in 1916 began his practice of medicine in this city, with not only his hospital experience behind him but his practical X-ray work, by means of which he had also met his college expenses. His practice and reputation grew and he has since become chief roentgenologist at the Henry Putnam Memorial Hospital, Bennington, Vermont, and also radiologist at the Samaritan Hospital of this city. Dr. Martin is a member of the First Baptist Church and is also affiliated with the Alpha Gamma Chapter, Phi Delta and Kappa Psi fraternities; he is a member of the New York State and Rensselaer County Medical societies; the Kiwanis Club, and is a director of the Riverside Club. Besides hunting and fishing he takes great interest in automotive engineering, which latter is his hobby.

Dr. Martin married, April 30, 1917, Florence May Hagar, a native of Bennington, Vermont, and a daughter of Harry P. and Minnie (Barber) Hagar, and they are the parents of one son, Harry Vernon. The family residence is at No. 1301 Jacob street.

CHARLES E. McCARTHY—Among the well known and successful members of the legal profession in Troy, New York, is Charles E. McCarthy, who in addition to the conduct of a large general practice

specializes in real estate law. He is title examiner for Rensselaer county, and is one of Troy's progressive and public-spirited citizens.

Charles McCarthy, father of Charles E. McCarthy, was one of the old residents of Troy who was widely known and highly esteemed throughout the county. He was engaged in the real estate business and accumulated a large amount of property, which is now cared for by his son, Charles E. During the Civil War he raised a company at his own expense and throughout the period of the conflict served as its captain. At the time of his death in 1914 he was the oldest pew holder in St. Peter's Church. He married Johanna Maloney, who died in 1912, and they were the parents of four children, the oldest surviving of whom is Charles E., the subject of this sketch.

Born in Troy, New York, February 26, 1875, Charles E. McCarthy received his early education in St. Peter's Academy, the public schools, and in the Troy High School. He graduated, however, from the Troy Academy as class historian, class of 1894, and then matriculated in the law department of Columbia University, from which he was graduated in 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar March 3, 1898, and since that time has been engaged in legal practice in the city of Troy. He has specialized in real estate law, and was the first and only title examiner for Rensselaer county under the Torrens Law. That official position he held first as a State position, and since 1918 as an appointee of Rensselaer county. He is still serving in that capacity, and is known as one of the most careful and trustworthy title examiners of the State. He has always taken an active interest in public affairs, and in 1911 was appointed searcher of barge canal titles in the office of the attorney-general for the State of New York. He casts his vote independently, and in 1905 was a candidate for the office of city judge but was not elected. For more than thirty-five years he has been officially and unofficially one of the active and energetic members of the Troy Fire Department, and has rendered valuable service as a volunteer fireman. He is now president of the Troy Exempt Firemen's Association. He is an ex-member of Company D, 21st Separate Company of the old 2nd Regiment, New York Guard, and during the late World War, when the age limit was raised to forty-five years, enlisted for active service. He would have been inducted into the service, but the signing of the armistice made his service unnecessary. In addition to the management of his large practice, Mr. McCarthy has charge of the extensive estate that was his father's. He is a member and also treasurer of the Rensselaer County Bar Association; member of the New York State Bar Association; and of the American Bar Association; and fraternally he is affiliated with and treasurer of Troy Nest No. 1746, Order of Owls. His religious affiliation is with St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church of Troy. Mr. McCarthy finds healthful recreation in walking and rowing, and in these healthful forms of outdoor physical exercises finds rest and relaxation from the often-time strenuous mental activity of his professional practice.

On October 12, 1904, Charles E. McCarthy was married to Alice R.

John H. Westbrook

Flynn, of Troy, daughter of John Flynn, and they are the parents of the following children: Charles E., Jr., who is a student in Troy High School; John Eugene, who is attending grade school in Troy; and Alice Mary, who is also a student in Troy Grade Schools No. 16.

JOHN HAROLD WESTBROOK—A popular figure in the younger group of the industrial world of Troy, New York, John H. Westbrook is devoting his attention largely to the progress and welfare of the working man, and himself among the workers, his influence in this cause is counting strongly for advance. Mr. Westbrook is a native of this city, and a son of Robert M. and Cathrine (Flynn) Westbrook, both residents of this city, the father a sheet metal contractor.

John H. Westbrook was born in Troy, New York, April 6, 1890. He first attended the Green School on Broadway, a private school, and later the Gale School on Seventh avenue, after which he attended Public School No. 5 until the age of sixteen years. He then entered the mills of this city as an apprentice at the sheet metal trade and after taking up this work he joined Local No. 15, of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union. Becoming a member on September 28, 1912, he was elected to the office of conductor, and also served as recording secretary, then, in 1917, was elected president of this local. In 1918 this body was consolidated with the corresponding body in the city of Albany and was carried forward under the title of the District Sheet Metal Workers' Union, Local No. 83. In 1920 Mr. Westbrook became business agent for this organization, in which capacity he still serves. He has for two years been president of the New York State Sheet Metal Workers' Union, and is ex-president of the Troy Building Trades Council. He has many times served as delegate to the Central Bodies conventions, and represents his local in the Labor Temple Association of Troy. In all his work along these lines Mr. Westbrook gives his best endeavors to the welfare of the group for which he is acting as champion, and much good has resulted from his efforts. In April, 1923, in partnership with G. A. Lewis, he purchased the sheet metal works of Edward Manogue Company, at Grand and Front streets, where they carry on a general contracting business in sheet metal work, roofing, skylights, ventilation, cornices, metallic ceilings, etc.

Mr. Westbrook is also a leader in Democratic party politics in Troy, his interest in public affairs dating back to his boyhood. For several years before he became a voter he was an active and efficient worker for the Democratic party. In 1917 he was elected a member of the Rensselaer County Board of Supervisors from the Second Ward of Troy to serve for a term of two years. Twice reëlected in 1919 and 1921, he received increased majorities each time, and throughout his period of service has been active on the committees of military affairs and rules. At present he is serving as State Assemblyman. In 1923 he was the regular Democratic candidate for the office of member of Assembly, First Assembly District, of Rensselaer county. Widely connected fraternally, Mr. Westbrook is identified with the Loyal Order of Moose, the

Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; the Catholic Council Welfare Society; the Society St. Vincent de Paul; and the Order of St. Francis. He is a member of St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church, and a member and now (1923) president of the Holy Name Society of that church. His recreative interests are outdoor sports, particularly baseball, and he is well remembered through his boyhood as an amateur "sand lot" baseball player of more than ordinary distinction.

Mr. Westbrook married, on September 24, 1912, Florence Siegel, of Troy, daughter of John and Margaret (Mulrooney) Siegel, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Westbrook are the parents of two children: John Joseph, born March 18, 1916, now attending St. Francis' Academy, and Mary Florence, born January 11, 1920.

FRED W. COONS—In the industrial world in Troy, New York, Fred W. Coons holds a prominent position in the production of wire and wire goods, and he is also well known in fraternal circles. Mr. Coons is a son of Conrad and Lucy (Maltby) Coons, for many years residents of this section, both now deceased.

Fred W. Coons was born at West Troy, New York, December 18, 1870. His education was begun in the local public schools and continued at Nassau Academy, then completed at Troy Business College, when he was seventeen years of age. He then entered the industrial world as an employee and apprentice of the firm of which he is now the head. He learned the business in every detail, and gradually worked up to positions of larger and more important responsibilities, and in 1895 purchased the business. It was established in 1820 in a very small way, only two men being at first employed. The business developed slowly but steadily as it was handed down from one generation to another, but in the past twenty-five years or so, since Mr. Coons took over the management, it has developed into an enterprise of wide-reaching activities. To-day the plant is 25x200 feet in ground dimensions, two stories and basement. Their product goes everywhere, to Asia, Europe and to practically all the principal foreign countries, but the bulk of the business lies within a radius of about two hundred miles of Troy. They ship large quantities of their product to New York City, but contract work comprises about seventy-five per cent of their total business. The concern has always been a partnership or carried forward under individual ownership until January 2, 1923, when it was incorporated, as follows: Fred W. Coons, president and treasurer; Norman F. Coons, vice-president; and Charles H. Pratt, secretary, this personnel also comprising the board of directors. Mr. Coons is a member and elder of the Oakwood Avenue Presbyterian Church, and superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty-two years; was formerly a director of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Rotary Club. Fraternally he is identified with Apollo Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar; and Oriental Temple, Ancient

Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a charter member of the Masonic Club of Troy.

Mr. Coons married, on May 14, 1891, Jennie Gray, of Troy, New York, a daughter of Wellington and Nancy (Smith) Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Coons have one son, Norman F., educated in the public schools of Troy and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, now vice-president of the above concern. The family residence is at No. 8 Warren avenue.

JOHN A. (2) SUTHERLAND—In one of the most recent branches of applied science Dr. Sutherland is holding a prominent position in the city of Troy, New York, as a chiropractic physician. Trained in the parent institution of this school of healing, and with natural ability of a high order, Dr. Sutherland has not only won marked success, but has commanded the esteem and confidence of the people. He has also contributed to the advance of this theory of healing in this locality, adding to its popularity and its serious recognition among other professions.

John A. (2) Sutherland was born in Holland, April 9, 1888, and is a son of John A. and Cathrina (Flishard) Sutherland. His early education was acquired in the public schools and Venraay College in his native land, and in 1911 he came to America landing in Boston. Variously active for a few years after his arrival, he attended the Lokranns School of Swedish Massage at Boston, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1917, and was active in the Boston Dispensary for a time as masseur and medical gymnast. He then entered the Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, from which he was graduated in 1922, and came at once to Troy, where he took up the practice of this profession, establishing offices at No. 263 Broadway, corner of Third street. He has gained an assured footing among men of the day in Rensselaer county, and is going forward to large and permanent success. He is a member of the Universal Chiropractic Association (Delta Sigma Chi) fraternity, the 100% Club, and the Epamannadus fraternity, and all his interests which more or less closely align with his work. His recreations are camping and gymnasium work, and in the latter he is widely noted and very proficient as a teacher.

Dr. Sutherland married, on January 22, 1916, Katheleen DaCosta, of New York City.

EDWARD A. DUNN—The growth and progress of the city of Troy and vicinity have in recent years felt the impetus of Edward A. Dunn, who holds a leading place among real estate operators and brokers. His prominence in the field of general insurance also gives his name broad significance to the people of this section, and in these allied lines of commercial endeavor Mr. Dunn is achieving large success. A member of an old Troy family, Mr. Dunn is a son of Michael and Catherine (Walsh) Dunn. His father was active in the retail grocery business for many years and was counted among the successful merchants of this city, continuing along this line until his death. His mother, Catherine (Walsh) Dunn, is now deceased.

Edward A. Dunn was born at Troy, New York, April 16, 1884. His education was obtained in the local schools, and following the close of his school attendance, the young man became identified with his father in the grocery store. Continuing active thus for a number of years, Edward A. Dunn eventually, in 1912, struck out for himself, entering the insurance business along the line of life and industrial insurance. He later discontinued this activity, going into the general insurance field, and has since handled fire, automobile, plate glass and the many forms of protection incident to modern business activities. It was as recently as the year 1919 that Mr. Dunn entered the real estate field, adding this to his business as a department. This branch now equals in importance his earlier activity and he is doing a very large and important business in greater Troy and vicinity, with offices at Suite No. 202, the Proctor building. His work in the real estate field has thus far been conducive to marked advance along development and other general real estate lines, and he is considered one of the leading men in this field in the city of Troy. Mr. Dunn is a member of the National Real Estate Board, the New York Real Estate Board, the Troy Real Estate Board, of which he is a director. Fraternally he is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His chief recreation is motor touring. His religious affiliation is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

Edward A. Dunn married Catherine Walsh, of Troy, in 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn are the parents of five children: Kathleen, Thomas, Anna, Margaret Mary and Rose, all of whom are students at St. Peter's Academy.

CHARLES HENRY CARY, eldest son of James and Mary A. (Dunn) Cary, has spent an active life in the undertaking business, beginning with his father as soon as school days were over. James Cary finally came into full ownership of the business in which he had been a partner for some years, an establishment founded in 1830 by James Clancy. James Cary admitted his son, Charles H., to a partnership as James Cary & Son. In 1890 Charles H. Cary started an independent undertaking business under his own name, a younger brother continuing the old firm. The father died in September, 1899, the mother, Mary A. (Dunn) Cary, died in May, 1918.

Charles H. Cary was born in Troy, New York, February 6, 1866, and there yet resides (1923). He was educated in Christian Brothers' School, Luman Academy, and La Salle Institute, completing his school years at the last-named institution. He then became associated with his father, having then just reached twenty-four years of age. He was a partner in the firm, James Cary & Son, but in 1890, as above stated, he withdrew and has ever since conducted business under his own name, being now located in a modernly-equipped mortuary establishment at No. 117 Third street.

In 1893 Mr. Cary completed the courses of study at the National School of Embalming, receiving a diploma from that institution. He is an expert in his line, and has a large acquaintance all over Rensselaer

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county. He is as favorably as he is widely known, and conducts his business along the most modern methods. He is a man of great industry, and can always be found at his place of business or engaged in the duties it entails. Mr. Cary is a member of the Robert Emmet Association of Troy; the Knights of Columbus; Friends of Irish Freedom; St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church; Holy Name Society (St. Mary's Conference), New York State Hibernian Society; and was colonel of the State Regiment, 1900-1906, and commander of Musketeers until disbanded.

Mr. Cary married and now has seven children: Blanche, married P. A. Nolan and has a daughter Blanche; Marie, married William McEarney; Loretta, married Henry McPherson; Charles, married Bertha Wimple; Joseph; Ursla and Ruth, twins. Three children died young: James, John, and Albert.

HUGH VINCENT FOLEY, M. D.—Some physicians prefer to engage in general practice only, while others choose a special branch of medical or surgical science and follow that to the exclusion of any other. Dr. Foley, who is well known as a practicing physician in the city of Troy, New York, maintains a general practice, but has devoted special study to the subject of obstetrics, by virtue of which he is a member of the staff of St. Joseph's Maternity Hospital in this city.

Hugh Vincent Foley, a son of John and Mary (Traver) Foley, was born at Watervliet, New York, April 4, 1888. His father had been engaged in business prior to his death. The mother is also deceased. Hugh Vincent Foley began his education at St. Patrick's School in his native place, which was later continued at La Salle Institute, this city. The problem of determining his future course in life was decided in favor of the medical profession, and, accordingly, he entered Albany Medical College to prepare for his life's work. In 1913 he graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and for one year thereafter served as interne at the Troy Hospital. The year of his leaving there was the beginning of a successful career as a physician, and his connection with St. Joseph's Hospital followed a little later. Dr. Foley is now (1923) district physician in the Department of Health in Troy.

Dr. Foley is affiliated with the American Medical Association, New York State Medical Society, and Rensselaer County Medical Society. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic, being a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, also of St. Joseph's Holy Name Society, and of the Lyceum.

Dr. Foley married, October 24, 1917, Mary C. Jordan, of this city, daughter of Aidan M. and Beatrice (Flood) Jordan, of Troy, New York. They are the parents of two boys: Hugh Vincent, Jr., and Joseph.

GEORGE DeLANCEY ZINCK—While Mr. Zinck is a comparatively newcomer in Troy, New York, he has become a factor in city business life, and as president and treasurer of the Illium Electric Company, is at the head of a successful and constantly expanding enterprise.

He is a native son of the Empire State, but his life has been spent in different States, as he chose the life of a traveling salesman, and did not locate permanently until coming to Troy in November, 1921. He is one of the young, energetic business men of Troy, but his experience has been wide and varied.

George DeLancey Zinck was born at the home farm in Elmsford, New York, May 5, 1896, son of George F. and Huldener (Williams) Zinck. Mrs. Zinck died when her son was but eight years of age. George DeLancey Zinck obtained his education through his own efforts, and this course in self-support and self-education early developed a spirit of self-reliance and conscious strength that brought him safely through the formative period of life, and left him a strong, self-reliant man, not afraid of responsibility nor unwilling to trust his own judgment. He became a salesman at the age of sixteen, and then began business connections that have taken him into forty-two different States of the Union, and into every important city of the East. In 1921 he located in Troy, New York, looking for a business location, and finding satisfactory conditions he remained.

Mr. Zinck, in December, 1921, incorporated the Trojan Electric Company, of which he was vice-president and treasurer. On March 20, 1922, the corporate name was changed to the Illium Electric Company, Mr. Zinck becoming president and treasurer. The company is a close corporation, conducting a successful business as dealers in a complete line of electrical goods and contracting the wiring of houses and buildings. The company inaugurated the plan of wiring houses on the deferred payment plan, a boon to the home owner and builder that is reflected in the large business done by the company. A radio department is an attractive feature of the business, and a repair department employs a large force of workers. Mr. Zinck is a member of the Capitol District Employment Association; of King Solomon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of Apollo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and of Holy Cross Episcopal Church.

Mr. Zinck married, February 16, 1912, Mary Hall, of Dallas, Texas, and they are the parents of a son, Donald.

REV. METELLO A. GALANTI—With the spirit of the pioneer, Rev. Father Galanti came to Troy, New York, in 1913, and during the decade which has since passed, he has done a wonderful work for St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, which he has served as pastor and of which he is still the spiritual leader. Father Galanti is a native of Italy and came to this country as a young man, completing his education here. He has served in various other churches in the State of New York, encouraging and building up the congregations and doing excellent work in the development of the church activities. He is a son of Joseph Galanti, a man of scholarly talents and brilliant education, who is still active as a teacher in Rome, Italy. The mother, Frances (Ciminelli) Galanti, is also living.

Rev. Metello A. Galanti was born in Rome, Italy, April 5, 1885. His

primary and classical education was received in his native land, he receiving the degree of A. M. from Rome University. Coming to America in February, 1904, he began his theological studies at Niagara University, at Niagara Falls, New York, from which he was graduated in 1909. In June of the same year Father Galanti was ordained by Bishop Burke, and his first appointment was as assistant pastor at Hancock, Delaware county, New York. His next was, still as assistant, at St. Patrick's Church, at Watervliet, New York, and during his service here he also acted as a teacher of Latin in St. Patrick's Academy. He was later assigned to the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, as pastor, then in October, 1913, he was appointed pastor of St. Anthony's Church at Troy. This is an Italian parish, and when he came it was very small and very poor. The congregation had made little headway since its organization, but Father Galanti took up his work with characteristic energy, and the loyal and devoted people have seconded his efforts towards the development and growth of the church. During his pastorate he has more than quadrupled its membership, and their material prosperity has kept pace with their spiritual growth. He has bought the church and built St. Anthony's School, which now has an average attendance of two hundred and twenty-five pupils under the care of five teachers and three assistant teachers. Father Galanti acts as superintendent of the school, and is broadly active in the various organizations of the church. He established St. Anthony's Lyceum, and this organization has turned out some of the best known athletes in Troy and is going forward with its work on the most comprehensive lines. He has established a large number of church societies, including St. Rita's Club, the Rosary Club, St. Aloysius Club, and the Angels Club. The church property has been greatly improved and beautified, and the church school and lyceum are handsomely and modernly equipped. Father Galanti has not only won the affection and regard of his own people, but has commanded the respect and confidence of his contemporaries in his religious work, and is now counted among the really progressive clergymen of the city of Troy. He has an uncle, Angelo Ciminelli, who has for fifty-three years been a priest in Rome, and a cousin, Louis Ciminelli, who is also a pastor in Rome. He was made an honorary member of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1911 in Watervliet, New York.

JOHN E. CARY—One of the oldest and most complete undertaking establishments in Rensselaer county, New York, is that owned by Mr. Cary, a lifelong resident of Troy, New York. He is a son of James and Mary A. (Dunn) Cary, the former of whom died in 1899, and the latter in May, 1918.

John E. Cary obtained his education at the La Salle Institute, then at an early age, entered the undertaking establishment owned by his father and learned all that he could of the business. He completed his courses in the National Embalming School at Albany, New York, in February, 1899, receiving a diploma from that institution, and at various times since has pursued post-graduate work. The undertaking business

which Mr. Cary now owns was established in 1830 by James Clancy. In 1836 it was owned by Mr. Van Degue; in 1855 by Pillsworth & Van Degue; in 1863 by Mr. Van Degue; in 1865 the name was changed to Cary & Van Degue; in 1875 the firm name became Burke, Cary & Van Degue; in 1878 it was changed again to Cary & Van Degue; and in 1880 it became James Cary & Son. After the death of his father in 1899, John E. Cary became the sole proprietor. The present establishment is commodious, but additions are being built for added equipment and offices. One of the remarkable features in one of the mortuary parlors is an Italian marble mantel and fireplace, all hand carved and exceptionally handsome.

Mr. Cary is a Democrat in politics. In religion he is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and also a member and vice-president of St. Vincent De Paul Society, of St. Mary's Parish.

Mr. Cary has married three times. He married (first) Margaret L. Shannon, and they had one child, James, Jr., who is deceased. He married (second) Marie H. Glynn, and they had one child, died in infancy. He married (third) Rose A. McGee, a native of Ireland, and no children were born of this union.

CHARLES HENRY MILLER—An honorable family name is that of Charles Henry Miller, a name that has been well represented in practically every field of achievement, both professional and in the field of science, art and trade. Mr. Miller is devoting his energy to the successful management of a successful wagon shop and auto repairing, to the business of which is added a general line of farm machinery and auto supplies.

Warren S. Miller, father of Charles Henry Miller, was a resident of Wynantskill, New York, throughout the entire period of his active life. He carried on an extensive blacksmith business on the site of the machine shop now conducted by his son, and he also was the proprietor and manager of a dairy and farm. He was even at that early date greatly interested in the prohibition movement, and an ardent supporter of that cause. He died January 30, 1918, in his seventieth year. He married Angeline Earing, whose death occurred August 23, 1909, and they were the parents of four children: H. Russell; Charles Henry, of further mention; Maude; and Minerva.

Charles Henry Miller, son of Warren S. and Angeline (Earing) Miller, was born in Wynantskill, New York, September 27, 1883. After receiving a good practical education in the public schools of his native district he became his father's assistant in the blacksmith shop, beginning his work there when he was fourteen years of age, and continuing the association with his father to the time of the death of the latter. He then took over the entire management of the shop, and, as the automobile gradually replaced the horse-drawn vehicles and so made serious inroads on the blacksmith industry, he adopted the character of his business to meet the changing needs of the public. He added a line of farm implements, which has steadily been increased, both as to

amount and kinds of machinery carried, and he also added a full line of auto accessories. In addition to doing a general line of machine work, he makes repairs of all kinds on automobiles and trucks, and that department of his work has, at the present time expanded to an extent which makes it the principal department of the general business. Having lived in Wynantskill during his entire life, Mr. Miller is very well known in that section of the county and numbers among his patrons many who have come to the shop ever since he can remember, and some who were his father's patrons back in the early days when the forge was used mostly for the making of shoes for horses. Politically Mr. Miller gives his support to the Democratic party. Fraternally he is affiliated with Silver Brook Lodge, No. 722, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which he serves as past grand.

At Grafton, New York, August 24, 1912, Charles Henry Miller married Josephine A. Burdick, who died June 29, 1918, daughter of William and Josephine (Westfall) Burdick. Mr. and Mrs. Miller became the parents of two children: Teresa, who was born April 21, 1915; and Charles H., who was born June 28, 1918.

JARRIS A. ROBERTS—Among the experienced agriculturists of Rensselaer county, New York, is Jarris A. Roberts, who throughout the entire period of his active life has been engaged in agricultural pursuits on the homestead farm, and his own farm. Mr. Roberts worked the home farm for sixteen years, until he purchased a farm of 116 acres for himself, where he has resided ever since. He is well known as a successful farmer and as a progressive citizen, as is also his brother Merritt, who owns another portion of the homestead farm.

Born in Center Brunswick, Rensselaer county, New York, June 4, 1857, Mr. Roberts is a son of Merritt and Catherine (Dusenberg) Roberts, the former of whom was a skilled agriculturist, and whose death in August, 1916, caused deep regret among his many friends and associates. Mr. Roberts' mother died May 12, 1910.

Jarris A. Roberts received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district, and as a small boy began assisting his father with the chores, as was the custom of his day. Before and after school and during vacations he helped with the farm work, and when school days were over he remained upon the homestead, taking more and more of the responsibility as the years passed. Mr. Roberts is widely known and highly respected in Center Brunswick and vicinity, and has many personal friends who esteem him for his sterling qualities of character and for his pleasing qualities. Mr. Roberts is a member of the Lutheran church, of Center Brunswick.

On October 26, 1887, at Center Brunswick, New York, Jarris A. Roberts married Alice Hayner, daughter of Louis and Mary (Hayner) Hayner, and they are the parents of one daughter, Alma M., who married Irwin Hayner.

DR. FRANCIS STENARD SCHWARZ—Of the younger professional group of Rensselaer county, New York, some of the leading figures won honor and distinction in the service of the United States during the recent World War. Among these was Dr. Francis Stenard Schwarz, who is now a successful practitioner of the city of Troy, and is also prominent in fraternal circles and in the civic affairs of the day. Dr. Schwarz is a son of the late Martin John Schwarz, who was for many years a prosperous and widely known merchant of Troy. The mother, Josephine (Bode) Schwarz, is still living.

Francis S. Schwarz was born at Troy, New York, May 9, 1894. As a young lad he attended Public School No. 7, and later No. 14, then entered Troy High School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1913. The following year he was graduated from the Albany Business College, then determining upon a professional career, he went to New York City and entered the Institute of Podiatry, upon his graduation in the class of 1916 receiving the degree of Master of Podiatry. Before the close of the year he began practice in his native city of Troy, but his career was interrupted almost at its outset, so far as its local progress was concerned, by the activities of the World War. In this connection, however, Dr. Schwarz gained invaluable experience. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps with the rank of sergeant, and was placed in charge of the Podiatrist Hospital at the United States Marine Barracks, at Paris Island, South Carolina, where he remained until his honorable discharge from the service. Since his return to civilian life Dr. Schwarz has developed a very extensive and thriving practice, winning the confidence of the people and the esteem of his contemporaries in professional effort. He has been on the clinical staff of the Peoples Foot Clinics of New York for six years. He is a member of the National Association of Podiatrists; the New York State Association of Podiatrists, of which he is a member of the council; and fraternally is a well-known member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, also secretary of the Phi Kappa Phi, an honor fraternity; and is a member of Van Schaick Island Golf Club. A Democrat by political affiliation, Dr. Schwarz, in 1921, was elected supervisor of the Third Ward. The first Democrat to be elected to that office in the ward in twenty-eight years, he is a candidate for reëlection (1923). Alert to all civic and general advance, he is bearing a constructive part in the administration of the affairs of the municipality, and is contributing definitely to the general good. He is highly esteemed both in the profession and among the people. He is a member of the American Legion, and of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War.

Dr. Schwarz married, on May 9, 1919, Genevieve V. Luby, of Troy, and they have two sons: Francis Stenard, Jr., and William Xavier.

ARTHUR EDGAR GREENE—A native of Rensselaer county, New York, and an influential factor in the commercial, financial and industrial development of this section, is Arthur Edgar Greene, well-known merchant of Berlin. His parents were Edgar R. Greene, who was a son of

Ray and Lacey (Mexson) Greene, and Eliza (Greenman) Greene, a daughter of Colonel and Phoebe (Whitford) Greenman, all of whom were early settlers in New York.

Mr. Greene was born November 26, 1861, at Berlin, and after acquiring an elementary education in the local schools, took a course at Troy High School. His student days over, he began his business career as a clerk in his father's store at Berlin, and after working three years was taken in as a partner in the enterprise. In 1902 he purchased his father's interest in the business and since that time has been operating the store as its sole proprietor. In addition to this enterprise Mr. Greene has had various other important connections, and was one of the incorporators of the Berlin Light, Heat and Power Company, and formerly treasurer and secretary of the corporation. He was also at one time president and vice-president of the Tacomic Valley Bank at Berlin, and was an organizer and original stockholder as well as a director; and a director of the People's National Bank at Hoosick Falls. While he has been an active participant in political affairs in this part of the county, he has never been an office-seeker, preferring to wield the influence of a private individual desiring no favors. In Berlin Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Mr. Greene is counted among their most valued members, and he is an ex-treasurer of that body. His religious activities have been with the Seventh Day Baptist Church, of which he is a member of the board of trustees and treasurer.

Mr. Greene married, in May, 1888, at Berlin, Cora Whilden. They have no children.

CHARLES J. CÔTÉ—In the exacting profession of undertaker and funeral director, Mr. Côté holds a position of large prominence in the city of Troy, New York, his patronage coming not only from the people of this city, but many of the surrounding towns and villages. With a very complete and modern establishment at No. 252 Second street, Mr. Côté is holding a leading position in his chosen field of endeavor. The Côté family were among the early settlers of St. Hyacinthe, Canada, coming from France to make a home in the wilderness.

Francis Côté, Mr. Côté's father, was born at St. Hyacinthe, Canada, and came to Troy in 1849, at the age of twenty-six years. He brought with him his young wife, driving from St. Hyacinthe with a team of horses and sleigh. His energy and progressive spirit soon gave him a foothold in his new home, and securing a position in the packing department of the old Troy Spike and Rivet Company factory, now out of existence, he became one of the valued and trusted employees of that concern, and died in 1898. The mother, Rosalie (Conture) Côté, is also now deceased.

Charles J. Côté was born in Troy, New York, August 30, 1866. His education was begun in the kindergarten of St. Joseph's Convent, after which he attended the schools of Ward Nine and Ward Eleven, completing the eighth grade in the Ward Nine school. At the age of sixteen years he entered the world of industry in the employ of the

Troy Spike and Rivet Company factory, with which his father was connected, but later took up the woodworking trade and for a time belonged to the woodworkers' union. Later, however, he determined to become an undertaker and funeral director and for the most comprehensive preparation possible, he entered the Renault School of Embalming. He opened his own headquarters in April, 1903, at No. 323 Second street, and his success was so marked that four years later he was obliged to arrange for the expansion of the business. Removing to his present location in 1907, he has since become largely successful. These premises were remodeled to his orders with special reference to the work in which he was engaged, and he has handsome funeral parlors with all the equipment of value in his work, with spacious garages and a completely motorized vehicular equipment. He takes high rank in his chosen profession, and is much esteemed both as a business man and a citizen. Fraternally, Mr. Côté is very prominent, being a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and a trustee of Collar City Camp of that order; a member of the Union St. Jean Baptiste, and he is a member of the St. Jean Baptiste Roman Catholic Church, of which he has been a trustee for twenty years, and for nine years treasurer of the board of trustees. He is also a member of the Leval Congregation, a social church club. Mr. Côté became deeply interested in political affairs when he first became a voter. He has served as inspector on various boards and as ward worker for the Republican party, but has never sought nor accepted the honors and emoluments of public office.

His choice of relaxations take him into the outdoor world, and he formerly enjoyed fishing and hunting, but is now more interested in motor touring.

Mr. Côté married, on September 24, 1890, Josephine Bell, of Troy, New York, daughter of Amedee and Rosetta (Wheeler) Bell. They are the parents of two children: Gertrude Bell, whose education was begun in Presentation Convent at St. Hyacinthe, Canada, and continued in the Troy High School and Troy Business College; she is now engaged in secretarial work; and Marie Antoinette, who died at the age of two years.

CORNELIUS A. CASEY—At the head of the Troy (New York) Fire Department is Chief Casey, a man whose intrepidity is vouched for by his associates and whose services during the famed Mohican fire, as a volunteer fireman, won him a place of honor on the regular force. He is also known as a successful contractor in the firm of Casey Brothers of this city.

Cornelius A. Casey is a son of Philip and Elizabeth (Connery) Casey, both of whom are deceased, the father having been a mason contractor. He had five brothers and three sisters, who were as follows: Frederick C., an alderman of Troy; Philip, Jr.; William, a former member of the firm of Casey Brothers, who died in 1921; Timothy, who died in 1901; John J., also an alderman, died in 1917; Nellie; Elizabeth; and Alice.

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Cornelius A. Casey

Mr. Casey was born October 11, 1881, at Troy, New York, where he first attended La Salle Institute and later the public grammar schools. After leaving school he learned the trade of mason and continued at that for some years. Then the firm of Casey Brothers was formed, and schools, churches and blocks of business houses have been erected in Troy by this concern. They later incorporated under the name of Philip Casey, Jr., Inc., general contractors. They have had at times more than one hundred employees engaged in their work. Some of the largest buildings which the company have erected are: The Alvia car barns for the United Traction Company; St. Lawrence School; Guardian Angel Home; St. Bridget's Hall; many of the largest moving picture houses in the city; also many large residences.

In 1912 Mr. Casey became the captain of the Troy Volunteer Fire Department, and during the Mohican fire was so seriously injured as to necessitate his confinement in a hospital, and while there was made battalion chief in the regular fire department. In May, 1918, he became chief of the department. Mr. Casey was instrumental in installing the new fire alarm system in Troy, and instigated making a paid department of the fire system and motorizing the fire department. It was his idea of putting a squad wagon in the Troy Fire Department, which has been one of the greatest improvements in the department in many years.

As an active fraternal member of many lodges, he is well known, and is affiliated with the Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Knights of Columbus, fourth degree; Kiwanis Club; Chamber of Commerce; St. Mary's Catholic Club; Laureate Boat Club, being an ex-member of the board of managers; and the Rod and Gun Club. He is especially fond of deer hunting. In religion he is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. He is not married.

WALTER H. McSHANE, M. D.—In the field of medicine Dr. McShane is one of the foremost figures of the younger group in Rensselaer county, New York, his special training and his war-time experience giving him the comprehensive ability to be gained only in such manner. Dr. McShane is a son of James and Mary (Klugh) McShane, his parents residing in Springfield, New York, his father a barber by trade.

Walter H. McShane was born in Springfield, New York, January 8, 1893. His first attendance was at the Union School of Springfield, and he is a graduate of the Springfield High School, class of 1910. From this point in his studies the young man financed his own education, teaching school for two years, after which he entered Albany Medical College, and was graduate in 1916, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His hospital experience was gained in the Troy City Hospital, first, as interne, and later he conducted the medical clinic at that institution. He was actively engaged thus when the great need of the war brought its appeal to the young professional men of the day, and on July 7, 1917, he was commissioned first lieutenant of the Medical Corps, and was sent to Fort Ethan Allen in August of the same year. Thence

he was transferred to Camp Devens, Massachusetts, and from there to New York City, where he covered special courses in surgery and X-ray at the New York Post Graduate Hospital. He was then stationed at the Base Hospital at Camp Upton, New York, then was attached to Base Hospital No. 22 and sent overseas in this connection. Landing in France, he remained with the same unit from Bordeaux to the Chateau-Thierry drive, then was later detached and assigned to the Evacuation Hospital at Chateau-Thierry. Then being transferred back to Base Hospital No. 22, he was there promoted to captain, and later returned to Bordeaux. From there he eventually sailed for America, and received his honorable discharge from the service on March 15, 1919, at Camp Grant. Since his return to civilian life Dr. McShane has conducted the medical clinic at the Troy Hospital, and his work in this connection is of a broadly educational and constructive nature, counting materially for the progress of the profession, as well as for the immediate benefits of the period. Dr. McShane is a member of the New York State Medical Society, the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He was appointed, July 15, 1923, radiologist at the Leonard Hospital. He has few interests outside his work, to which he devotes his highest efforts, and in which he finds his greatest pleasure. His religious affiliation is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. McShane married, on May 19, 1920, Hazel Mallder, of Minnesota, daughter of William and Mabel Mallder. She was a nurse in the hospitals of France during the World War.

JOHN G. SALT—City Clerk of Rensselaer, New York, Mr. Salt began his career as a railroad man and was assistant shop foreman of the West Albany railroad shop at West Albany. He was born at Poughkeepsie, New York, July 5, 1876, son of Thomas H. and Alice (Gledhill) Salt. His father was a hotel steward, and lived for some time at Syracuse, New York, before moving to Rensselaer with his family in 1884.

Mr. Salt received part of his education in the public schools of Syracuse, and in the Rensselaer public schools after coming to Rensselaer, at the age of eight years. As a boy he became intensely interested in railroad work and spent a great deal of his time studying the history and development of American railroads and the part they played in the settlement of the country and its increasing prosperity. It was natural, therefore, that when his school days were over he should decide to enter the service of a railroad. He found employment in the New York Central shops at West Albany, and thus began his long career with the company. He found his work interesting and agreeable and received frequent promotions until, in 1895, he was appointed assistant shop foreman of the railroad shop at West Albany. He was eminently fitted for this important position, and his instinctively accurate and orderly methods of management, combined with an unusual executive ability, enabled him to fulfill its duties with the utmost success. His career with the railroad was assured, and he might have risen to positions of greater im-

portance and responsibility had it not been for his election to the office of city clerk in 1905.

In politics Mr. Salt has always been an ardent supporter of the Republican party. His devotion to the highest American ideals and his firm support of progressive policies had attracted the attention of the political leaders of the county at an early date, and he was finally prevailed upon to become a candidate for the office of city clerk, to which he was elected by a large majority in 1905. He has held this office ever since, and his administration thereof has won universal commendation and admiration from the men of all parties, who appreciate his fidelity and devotion to the public welfare. He has also held various other offices, and now serves as secretary of the board of public safety, clerk to the Common Council, clerk to the board of assessors, license clerk, and commissioner of deeds. His present term of office as city clerk does not expire until 1924, when it may be expected that he will again become a candidate for the office he has filled with such distinction for the past eighteen years. Mr. Salt is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 41, of Albany. He is unmarried.

HENRY C. REINWALD—A musician of great ability, and one who is always ready to exercise his gifts in the effort to bring about a better and a happier community spirit, Mr. Reinwald has had a very picturesque career, and is widely known not only as a musician but also for the many interesting experiences that have fallen to his lot. He was born at New Haven, Connecticut, January 16, 1883, son of John Baptist and Philipina (Gamber) Reinwald, both of whom had musical ability and a keen appreciation of musical art.

Mr. Reinwald was educated in the public schools of New York City, his parents having moved to the metropolis while he was still quite young. He learned the scale at a very early age, and began to play musical instruments almost as soon as he could walk. His parents aided and encouraged him in his musical studies and gave him every opportunity to hear the best vocal and instrumental music the city had to offer. As a boy he was often taken to the old Academy of Music on Fourteenth street, Manhattan, and later, when the present Metropolitan Opera House opened its doors to the public, Mr. Reinwald became a regular attendant at all the concerts and operas provided by the management. His personal memories of former opera stars, including Calve, Jean de Reszke, Nelly Melba, Emma Eames, and others of the bright galaxy that did so much to build up the musical reputation of New York City, are scarcely less vivid than his memories of those who are still before the public on the Metropolitan Opera House stage. A student of musical instruments, as a boy, Mr. Reinwald spent a great many of his leisure hours at the Astor Library in Astor place, poring over old books of musical lore and tracing the technical development of musical instruments from primitive pipes and cymbals to the highly complex and beautifully made instruments of the present day.

When his education was completed, and the time came for him to choose an occupation, Mr. Reinwald solved the problem by accepting an offer from Barnum & Bailey to become a member of their circus band. He traveled extensively with the circus organization and visited every town of importance in the country. His experiences during those years of gypsy-like living would furnish material for several books of adventure. From them he derived a remarkable knowledge of human nature, and an accurate, detailed, and comprehensive knowledge of American towns and cities. Of all the angles from which one may survey what may be called the American scene, few afford the spectator opportunity for a more searching glance than that afforded by the progress from town to town of the "big tops." The circus being the one form of entertainment that is primarily intended for children and those who are still young at heart, it owes its popularity to the boys and girls of America, and when properly conducted, as in the case of the Barnum & Bailey and Ringling Brothers' organizations, it becomes an educative force. Mr. Reinwald has studied circus audiences of all kinds, from the queer mixture of races and classes that annually greet the circus under the great roof of Madison Square Garden to the crowd in the Piedmont, that comes thronging by mule team and bicycles into the Southern town where the tents are pitched, and the gay and careless mob that besieges the box office in the open prairie towns of Texas and Oklahoma. Like most other men who have ever been connected with the sawdust ring, there is nothing Mr. Reinwald would take in exchange for his memories of this great national entertainment. He left circus life and his associates in the Barnum & Bailey band, all of whom were picked musicians of the highest type, with extreme reluctance at the end of four years, and in these days, whenever the opportunity comes his way to visit the circus lot and to renew his acquaintance with all the extraordinary scenes and characters of circus life, he never misses an opportunity to do so.

After his adventurous years with the circus, Mr. Reinwald became a railroader and spent nineteen years as a supervisor for the New York Central railroad and, at the same time, carried on a business for the sale of high-class musical instruments. In 1920 he moved to Nassau, New York, and established himself as the proprietor of a garage and service station and as an independent dealer in automobile equipment. He is also the sales agent of the Buick, Ford, and Chevrolet motor cars, and although his business is still in its infancy, his success has so far greatly exceeded his expectations, and he now has more work than can easily be managed by one executive. But, notwithstanding the pressure of his business affairs, Mr. Reinwald finds time to aid the cause of music in his new environment, and is one of the most enthusiastic members of the Nassau band. He is also a member of the Shriners' Band, of Albany, New York, for which he is the solo cornetist.

In politics Mr. Reinwald is a Republican. He was formerly district leader of the Seventeenth District in New York City, and served as assemblyman from that district. He is also a former committeeman of the Republican party, and in all matters affecting State and national

welfare he is a vigorous advocate on the side of progress and constructive effort. He is a Mason of long standing, holding membership in the Evangelist Lodge, No. 600, Free and Accepted Masons; the Chapter in Manhattan; the Commandery at Albany; the Mystic Shrine at Albany; and Cyprus Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In religious faith he is a member of Grace Methodist Church.

On November 29, 1906, Mr. Reinwald married, in New York City, Susan Riffanacht, daughter of Christian and Mary Riffanacht. Mr. and Mrs. Reinwald have three children: Helen, Susan, and William Reinwald.

THOMAS AUGUSTUS STYLES—In the duty of caring for the dead, Thomas Augustus Styles, of Troy, New York, serves the people of Rensselaer county in a professional way and through his genial spirit and deep appreciation of the ethics, as well as the responsibilities of his work, has won his way to a position of the highest esteem among people of this section. Mr. Styles is a member of an old Renseelaer county family, and a son of William and Kathrine (Keys) Styles, both now deceased. His father passed away in the prime of life.

Thomas Augustus Styles was born at Troy, New York, January 14, 1884. His education was begun at St. Joseph's School, of Troy, and completed at St. Joseph's Academy. Early taking up the responsibilities of his career, he secured a position with the Troy Laundry when only fourteen years of age, and at sixteen was self-supporting. He did not, however, plan to spend his entire career in the industries, and while he was employed in the laundry he made preparations to enter his present profession, devoting his spare time to study and accumulating funds for his special training. In 1904 he went to New York City, where he learned undertaking and embalming, then entered business for himself in Troy in 1909, opening his headquarters at No. 507 Fourth street. Keeping in touch with the progress of the times in his professional field, he has improved and remodeled his rooms and he now has a thoroughly up-to-date establishment, with the most approved equipment.

Mr. Styles is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians; the Society of St. Vincent De Paul; is a member of the Auxiliary of the Troy Orphan Asylum, and president in 1923; and the Auxiliary of the Little Sisters of the Poor, these organizations all being affiliated with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, of which he is a leading member. He is also a member of St. Joseph's Club. By political affiliations he is a Democrat, although he has never thus far sought nor accepted public honors.

Mr. Styles married, on June 2, 1907, at Troy, New York, Mary Agnes Fox, and they have four children: Mary Kathrine, Thomas, Edward and William.

FRANK TEMPLETON SMITH, M. D.—In the realm of surgery, Dr. Smith, of Troy, New York, is taking a leading place in Rensselaer

county and aside from his extensive private practice does much of the institutional work of the city and county. Trained in one of the foremost colleges of the East, he has won his way to a high position in the profession and is counted among the largely successful surgeons of the day. He is a son of Adam and Reseltha (Hackett) Smith, for many years residents of Troy.

Frank Templeton Smith was born in Troy, New York, February 29, 1876. He first attended the Fifth Ward School, then after completing the grammar grades, spent one year at Troy High School, after which he entered Lansingburg Academy, from which he was graduated with the class of 1899. Thereafter entering Albany Medical College, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1903, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His internship was spent at the Samaritan Hospital, of Troy, then before the close of the year 1903 he took up the practice of medicine. He followed general lines from the beginning, but his success in surgery brought to him so much work in this field that he has in recent years almost wholly discontinued medical work, as his time is fully occupied along surgical lines. For eight years Dr. Smith was assistant surgeon at Samaritan Hospital, then resigned from this office, but was soon afterwards re-appointed and now acts as visiting surgeon at the same institution. He is also visiting surgeon at the Leonard Hospital, of Troy, and at the Fairview Home. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Society, and the Rensselaer County Medical Society, and retains his connection with his college fraternity, the Phi Sigma Kappa. Politically he supports the Republican party, but has never found leisure to accept public responsibilities outside of his professional work. His recreations are those of the outdoor world, and he has a beautiful summer home on the Maine coast, where he spends his vacations. His first cottage there was destroyed by fire, but he rebuilt on a larger scale and has a very fine sea coast place. He also plays tennis. His religious affiliation is with the State Street Episcopal Church.

Dr. Smith married, in March, 1905, Julia E. Durant, of Watervliet, New York, daughter of Fayette P. and Alice (Hyde) Durant.

JOHN JOSEPH O'MEARA—The retail grocery and meat business has occupied the attentions of Mr. O'Meara in recent years as the owner of an establishment in his native city, Troy, New York. He is identified with social, religious and political affairs, locally, which proves that to him citizenship offers opportunities of service to the general good of his fellow-men.

John Joseph O'Meara was born October 19, 1891, the son of John W. and Margaret (Ryan) O'Meara. His mother is living, but the father, who was engaged in insurance, died when John Joseph O'Meara was quite young. Due to this circumstance, he first attended St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, and later St. Peter's Parochial School and public Schools Nos. 2 and 3. At the age of thirteen he was employed as office boy by the Troy Laundry Machine Company, leaving them to accept a

position as chest boy in the Quackenbush store. He did not remain there, but engaged in various lines of work until 1915, when he entered the grocery and meat business.

Mr. O'Meara's interest in political affairs was aroused some time prior to reaching his majority, which led him to seek office as supervisor of the Tenth Ward in Troy, in 1917. He was elected and is now serving a third term. He is a member of the sheriff's committee, one of the most important committees of the board of supervisors. Among the clubs of this city he is a member of the following: Viaduct; Laureate Boat; and Kennedy Camping; and is also a member of St. Peter's Lyceum (and past president); Young Men's Christian Association; and the Knights of Columbus; also treasurer of the Board of Fire Trustees of Troy, New York. He is a communicant in St. Paul the Apostle Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. O'Meara married, April 22, 1917, Rhea McArdle, daughter of Patrick and Katharine (Mahar) McArdle, of Troy, New York. Mr. and Mrs. O'Meara are the parents of a daughter, Katharine Rhea.

WILLIAM B. REAGAN—For the past ten years an outside foreman for the New York Central railroad at Rensselaer, New York, Mr. Reagan holds office as treasurer of the city. He was born at Rensselaer, New York, July 7, 1886, son of Matthew and Julia (Riley) Reagan. His parents were both natives of Rensselaer. His father who was a veteran of the Civil War, was an influential member of the community, and held office as county police commissioner for some years before his death. Like Mr. Reagan, he was a member of the Democratic party, and devoted his energies to the support of constructive legislative policies.

Mr. Reagan received his education at St. Joseph's Parochial School at Rensselaer. After having completed his academic studies, he proceeded to the Albany Business College, where he acquired a thorough knowledge of business methods and commercial subjects. He was graduated from this institution of learning in 1902 and returned to Rensselaer. He was anxious to make a name for himself in the business world, and after careful consideration came to the conclusion that railroad work would offer him an unrivalled opportunity for success and achievement. He therefore entered the office of the New York Central railroad at Rensselaer, and was successful from the very beginning. His thorough training in business methods and his naturally careful and precise way of working attracted the attention of his superiors, and in 1912, after six years spent in the company's service, he was appointed outside foreman. This position he still holds, and his fidelity and devotion to the best interests of the railroad are deeply appreciated by the company, which regards him as one of its most valued employees.

In politics Mr. Reagan is a Democrat. He has frequently held office, having served for two terms as alderman of the Fourth Ward; for one term as supervisor of the First District; and is the present treasurer of the city. In 1922 he was elected to this office, and his ability and main-

tenance of the highest standards of efficiency have won the regard of all classes of the community. He was also nominated for county treasurer in 1920, but was defeated in the election by the Democratic candidate. In religious faith Mr. Reagan is a Catholic, and belongs to the parish of St. Joseph's Church at Rensselaer. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and belongs to Rensselaer Lodge, No. 267, of that order. He also holds membership in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, Local No. 215, in the work of which he takes the greatest interest.

Mr. Reagan married, on November 6, 1910, at Albany, Catherine Becker, daughter of Henry and Susan Becker. Mr. and Mrs. Reagan have one son, William, who was born August 19, 1912, at Albany.

JOHN H. HEALEY—Among the old-time draymen and baggage transfer men of Troy, New York, none were better known than John J. Healey, who died in 1892. In the early "eighties" he had the contract from the railroad to act as baggage transfer agent at Troy, and for years he operated a livery barn located in the rear of No. 153 Church street. Later he abandoned both livery and transfer business and opened a grocery store at Fourth and Ferry streets, and continued in business there until his death. He married Mary Hart, who died in 1916, and they were the parents of John H. Healey, funeral director and undertaker, at No. 192 Third street, Troy, where he has for seventeen years been in business under his own name.

John H. Healey, son of John H. and Mary (Hart) Healey, was born in Troy, New York, and there has spent his life in the city of his birth. He first attended the Eighth Ward Public School, going later to the First Ward School, thence to high school. He was yet a school boy when he began working in a Troy cotton mill and while yet in high school he began learning the plumbers' trade with Healey Brothers (no relation), and the Gas Appliance Company. He continued a journeyman plumber for six years, then became interested in undertaking through having a friend in that business. He finally gave up plumbing and prepared for his new line of work so thoroughly that on July 7, 1906, he opened his own undertaking establishment. He is now located at No. 192 Third street, Troy, a location he has occupied for the past twelve years. He is an excellent business man, thoroughly understanding the business in which he is engaged and is highly regarded in his community. He is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Parish.

John H. Healey married, October 15, 1915, Margaret C. Flynn, of Cambridge, Washington county, New York, and they have a daughter, Margaret Mary Healey.

EDWARD CHRISTIAN BUCHANAN—Along one of the most practical lines of commercial endeavor, Edward Christian Buchanan, of Troy, New York, is bearing a definite part in the welfare of the com-

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munity and in the convenience and comfort of the public. He is the owner of the Buchanan Baggage Transfer, which succeeded the Westcott Express Company, a long-established baggage transfer, which within recent years he has developed to include also a comprehensive taxi service. Mr. Buchanan is a son of John E. Buchanan, who died in 1873; the mother, Daretta (Goss) Buchanan, survived her husband for many years, but passed away in 1912.

Edward Christian Buchanan was born in Troy, New York, and his education was limited to the advantages of the local public schools. At the age of sixteen years he began to work evenings and Saturdays in the collar and shirt factory of Troy, and shortly after completing the public school course he entered the employ of Beiermeister, Smith, Burden & Company, of this city, as shipping clerk. He remained in this connection for two years, when he was advanced to foreman, and later to superintendent. In 1912 he resigned to engage in the dairy business in Watervliet, New York, continuing along this line until the year 1917. He then became interested in the Aird Motor Company, of Troy. This activity continued for about two years, then Mr. Buchanan became manager of a taxicab business in Troy, and on August 1, 1921, he took over the interests of the Westcott Express Company, and has since conducted both these interests under the name of the Buchanan Baggage Transfer. The Westcott Express, one of the very old enterprises of its kind in this city, was established in the year 1880 for the purpose of transferring baggage and passengers between stations and from boat to stations. A year following the founding of the business, the first contract with the Boston & Albany railroad was taken, and in 1882 a contract with the New York Central railroad was also taken. From time to time different owners have operated the business, but it has never been suspended for a day and is looked upon as one of the old dependable public conveniences along these lines of travel. It remained for Mr. Buchanan to organize the taxicab activities which now form a department of this business, and with his practical ability and genial spirit always eager to fill a useful and progressive place in the community, he is doing a very extensive and constantly increasing business. He employs twenty men in both departments and gives his personal attention to the management of the interest. Mr. Buchanan is a man who delights in his work and has practically no recreation. He is a member of the Troy Chamber of Commerce and the Troy Automobile Club. He is also a member of Apollo Lodge, No. 13, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he has been secretary for twenty-one years, and is still serving in that capacity; a member of Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, No. 15, Knights Templar; also Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is further a member of Troy Council, No. 447, Order of the Maccabees. His religious affiliation is with the Second Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Buchanan married, June 28, 1893, Jane Spence, of Troy, daughter of George, Sr., and Jane (Cairns) Spence, of Troy, New York.

RICHARD PATRICK DOODY, M. D.—Trained for his profession in the institutions of his native State, and serving in the World War immediately prior to entering upon his private practice, Dr. Doody, of Troy, New York, has attained more than usual success in his chosen profession, and is one of the leading physicians and surgeons of the younger group in Rensselaer county. He is a son of Patrick J. and Ellen (O'Meara) Doody, of Cohoes, New York, the father a moulder by trade.

Richard Patrick Doody was born in Cohoes, New York, February 17, 1894. His education was begun at St. Bernard's School and continued at St. Bernard's Academy. He then entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1916, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. During the remainder of that year and a part of the following, Dr. Doody acquired his hospital experience as an interne, first, in the Troy Hospital, and later, in the Memorial Hospital of New York City. Shortly after the intervention of the United States in Europe became a fact, Dr. Doody enlisted for service overseas, and on July 10, 1917, he was commissioned first lieutenant, and was assigned to the Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana. Later transferred successively to camps in Texas, Virginia, and elsewhere, he was promoted to captain on March 4, 1918, and the following June was sent to France with the 3rd Regiment, Air Service Mechanics. Later he was placed in charge of the hospital connected with this unit, and remained for two years overseas, returning to American in July, 1919. He now holds the rank of captain of the Reserve Medical Corps of the United States army, and in June, 1921, was also commissioned captain of the Medical Corps of the National Guard of New York State. He is now attached to the Medical Detachment, 105th Infantry, National Guard of New York State. Upon his return to civilian life in 1919, Dr. Doody established himself in the private practice of medicine and surgery, and although he is still a young man, and but few years have passed since he launched out upon his career, he is now among the leading professional men of the day in Troy. He is a member of the New York State Medical Society, and is assistant surgeon at the Troy Hospital and at the House of the Good Shepherd. His religious affiliation is with St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church. He is a member of the American Legion.

Dr. Doody married, in October, 1920, Mary Dunn, of Troy, and they have a son, Richard Patrick, Jr., born August 21, 1921.

JOHN OLSEN—In 1873 Ole C. Olsen, born in Denmark, in February, 1855, came to the United States, locating in Troy, New York, which is yet his home, he being one of the oldest inhabitants of Troy of Danish birth, if not the oldest in point of years of residence. He opened a grocery store in Lansingburg (North Troy) which he has conducted profitably for many years. He married a wife, Johanna, now deceased, and they were the parents of John Olsen, of whom further; Christian M., who lives in North Troy; Metta, now Mrs. Frank Leslie Howard;

and Nels, who is deceased. These children were all born in Lansingburg. The father still lives in North Troy.

John Olsen, son of Ole C. and Johanna Olsen, was born in Troy, New York, July 6, 1888. He finished the courses of the Powers School in Lansingburg, spent two years in high school, and also took a course in the Troy Business College. He then entered his father's store as an assistant. He continued in the grocery business with his father in Lansingburg until April 1, 1922, when he assumed the duties of his present office of battalion chief of the Troy Fire Department, connected with auto fire truck No. 2.

In 1906 John Olsen joined the Thomas H. Mason Fire Company No. 10, of Lansingburg, as a volunteer fireman. He soon showed that he possessed a true fireman's spirit and was made second assistant foreman of the company. His next promotion was to the post of first assistant foreman, a post he filled for two years, then was advanced to the position of foreman, which gave him command of the company at fires, subject only to the orders of department officials. He was foreman for two years, and during all those years he represented his company at the New York State Firemen's Association conventions and meetings. Later he was elected president of the company, and on April 1, 1922, became a part of the Troy Paid Fire Department, by being appointed battalion chief, that being his first fully-paid position in the department.

Mr. Olsen is a member of the New York State Permanent Firemen's Association; New York State Volunteer Firemen's Association; Troy Lodge, No. 141, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Hudson Valley Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Danish Sick and Death Benefit Society, which for three years he served as trustee; member of the Troy Firemen's Mutual and Benefit Association; Danish Singing Society; All-Troy Athletic Club; and the English Lutheran Church of the Redeemer; he was formerly an active athlete.

On August 16, 1911, Chief Olsen married Sophia Laura Johnson, daughter of Peter and Katharine Johnson, the father now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Olsen are the parents of a daughter, Catherine Johnson Olsen. The family home is at No. 424 Sixth avenue, North Troy.

ARTHUR LUCAS—As managing editor of the Albany "Evening Journal," Arthur Lucas has helped for the past fourteen years to give to the people of Albany and vicinity a good newspaper which has exerted a considerable influence in the shaping of public opinion.

Born in Albany, New York, September 10, 1859, son of Edo and Minna (Morlang) Lucas, he received his preparatory education in the schools of his native city and then entered Dartmouth College, where he was a student for two years. He then became identified with the Schenectady (New York) "Union," in the capacity of reporter and later city editor, and that connection he maintained from 1885 to the spring of 1886. He then resigned and became a reporter on the Albany "Morning Express," of which he later became city editor and thereafter managing editor, in the latter capacity serving until 1899. In that year he began his connection with the Albany "Evening Journal," serving as

editorial writer and financial editor from 1899 to 1908, and as managing editor since 1909. During the fourteen years which have passed since then he has devoted his energy and his ability to the maintenance of the standard of that newspaper, which is one of the most widely read and also one of the best of the evening publications of this region.

At Rensselaer, New York, in 1885, he married Jennie Haber, daughter of Andrew J. and Christine Haber, of Rensselaer, New York. They have a son, Dr. Harold A. Lucas, of Albany, New York, and a daughter, Mrs. L. C. Stickles, of Newark, New Jersey.

GEORGE WALTON EDDY—A life of unusual sweetness and strength was terminated on June 3, 1914, when George Walton Eddy passed from the scene of his earnest and unselfish labors to the larger life beyond. His influence still lives and grows, however, and his memory is cherished by many to whom he quietly extended a helping hand or spoke a cheering word in times of need.

Mr. Eddy was born in the village of Lansingburg, now part of Troy, New York, October 13, 1847, son of Walton Mead and Mary Jane (Pendleton) Eddy. He received his education in the public schools of his native district and in Lansingburg Academy, under the instruction of Professor Whipple. He prepared for college, but his health was not robust, and instead of continuing his studies he associated himself with his father in the manufacture of refined lampblack, in factories located in Waterford and in Lansingburg, and in that industry he continued to the time of his retirement. Though active and earnest in his business relations, Mr. Eddy's interests extended beyond the confines of his daily occupation, which he regarded mostly as a means to an end. Business activity was necessary in order that one might provide for one's family and have the means for the real work of life, and the real work of life for Mr. Eddy was giving in a modest, unostentatious way, moral, mental, spiritual, and economic aid to his fellowmen. His generous impulses were shown in a life of benevolent deeds, but he was modest, made no display of his generosity, and sought no credit for it. His heart and hand always went out to the needy and suffering, and many people and often entire families were the recipients of his quiet aid. The gratitude of the many people he had helped in one way or another was expressed by a young man who called at the home after the death of Mr. Eddy to convey his sympathy and said: "He did much for me—he was like a father to me when I needed help." He delighted to aid in the alleviation of misery and want and was always active in raising money for sufferers, from famine or other causes, in various parts of the world. He was a man of even temper, always gentle, but firm in the cause of right and justice, and no sharp word of his ever rankled the heart of any person. His life in his home and among his fellowmen was as near the ideal as the most cultured of humanity has yet attained. In the reformation of the wayward and unfortunate he was deeply interested, and always encouraged the workers in the field of social betterment. He was devoted to religious and philanthropic work, and was an able supporter of the Russian, Armenian, Irish, and Indian famine relief funds. Essen-

tially a home man, he cared little about society in the generally accepted sense of the word, and never sought nor accepted political favor, though he gave his earnest support to the principles of the Republican party, and was a member of the Republican Club. He was an elder and a trustee of Olivet Presbyterian Church, and at one time was superintendent of the Sunday school. His passing left vacant a place which time can scarcely fill, but to his many sorrowing friends there was comfort in the certain knowledge that a life such as his continues to exert a beneficent influence long after the man himself has passed from the scene of his labors.

George Walton Eddy married Helen Alida Farnham, daughter of Chauncey Wadsworth Farnham, born in Troy, New York, July 28, 1818, and Nancy (McMurray) Farnham, born June 28, 1823, the former of whom studied law and with Marcus L. Filley also served as deputy sheriff of Rensselaer county for two terms, and was assistant postmaster of Lansingburg for nine years. Mrs. Eddy was a granddaughter of Dr. Ebenezer and Sophia (Wadsworth) Farnham. Her grandmother on the mother's side was Helen Alida (Baker) McMurray, and her grandfather on the mother's side was William McMurray, who was a pioneer brush manufacturer of Lansingburg. Mrs. Eddy was also the great-granddaughter of the Hon. Joseph Wadsworth, member of Assembly for nine years. Mr. and Mrs. Eddy became the parents of four children: 1. Chauncey Walton, who married Amelia Constance Ellis, and they have no children. 2. Harry Wadsworth, who married Edna Pearl Sherman, and they have two children: Pearl Marjory and Dorothy Helen. 3. Florence Alida. 4. Marion Helene, now deceased.

LEO JOSEPH GALLAGHER, D. D. S., a practitioner of dentistry at Rensselaer, New York, since October, 1921, was born at Scranton, Pennsylvania, March 5, 1894, son of W. A. and Catherine (Byron) Gallagher. His father an agency director of the New York Life Insurance Company, and during Dr. Gallagher's boyhood, traveled in various parts of New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland, attending to matters of business for his company. Dr. Gallagher's mother, who was a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, died some years ago. Dr. Gallagher has one brother, Dr. A. W. Gallagher, who is engaged in the practice of medicine at Castleton, New York, and who is two years younger than himself, having been born at Scranton, May 6, 1896.

Dr. Gallagher received his elementary education in the public schools of Scranton. His family moved to Reading, Pennsylvania, while he was still a boy, and he became a pupil of St. Peter's Parochial School, at Reading, his family and himself being Catholics. Before he had completed the grammar school course of study however, his family moved to Baltimore, Maryland, and in that city he became a pupil of the public schools once more. After his graduation from grammar school, Dr. Gallagher proceeded to the Bushwick High School and later to St. John's Preparatory School, where he was prepared for entrance to Fordham University. He proceeded from St. John's to Fordham,

and completed the full course of study, being graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science. His tastes had by this time become fully developed along scientific lines and he decided to enter the Dental profession. Accordingly he became a student at the University of Pennsylvania, entering the dental school for the purpose of acquiring his professional training. He was graduated as a member of the class of 1919 with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, and entered at once upon his professional career.

In August, 1921, Dr. Gallagher established himself in practice in New York City, but before long he decided that he would find a better opportunity for success and personal achievement in a smaller city, and in October, 1921, he came to Rensselaer, where he has ever since maintained his office. Thoroughly equipped by training and experience for the successful practice of his profession, Dr. Gallagher has already won a secure place in the community. His practice has steadily increased in size and he is generally regarded as one of the most progressive and capable members of his profession at Rensselaer.

In politics Dr. Gallagher is an Independent. He takes a constructive interest in local political questions, and is a firm supporter of measures relating to the public health, especially in so far as they provide for the establishment of dental clinics, the dissemination of information concerning the vital importance of caring for the teeth, and the free treatment of school children who may be in need of dental attention. In religious faith Dr. Gallagher is a Catholic, and belongs to the parish of St. John's Church. He is an active member of the various laymen's organizations, and is always ready to lend his support in every possible way to any parochial undertaking.

Dr. Gallagher is unmarried.

ISAAC McGOWAN, well known and extremely popular at Rensselaer, New York, where he has for some time filled the office of alderman of the Sixth Ward, was born in that city, September 21, 1887, son of John and Jeanette McGowan. His parents, who were both of Scottish descent, had been married at Rensselaer and had established their family home there in the early eighties. Mr. McGowan's father died in the year 1900 and was survived by his widow, who continues to make her home in the family place at Rensselaer.

As a boy Mr. McGowan had an overmastering desire to work for a railroad, and now, after twenty-one years of service with the New York Central railroad lines, he still retains the profound enthusiasm of a born railroad man. His father, who was quite willing to have him acquire a practical trade and who, indeed, held the idea that every boy, no matter what his other opportunities might be, should complete his education by training his hands and his muscles as well as his mind, interposed no obstacles to Mr. McGowan's ambition, but he did insist upon a good public school education as a pre-requisite to any line of endeavor the boy might decide upon. Accordingly, Mr. McGowan was entered as a pupil of the Rensselaer public schools and completed his course in such a manner as to win the approbation of his teachers, his mother, and all

the others who felt themselves concerned in his welfare. His father, unfortunately, did not live to see the end of these school days. He died prematurely in the year 1900, and Mr. McGowan with his mother and younger brothers and sisters had to make the best of his way through life without him. Upon leaving the school Mr. McGowan became a student of engineering, entered the New York Central railroad shops at the age of fourteen years and gradually rising from one position of responsibility and importance to another until he reached his present post and became foreman of the Rensselaer division. His business career has been merged in that of the railroad, and few men understand their work better than he does or have ever commanded greater respect in the execution of it. Some idea of his popularity may be gained from the fact that he was elected to the office of alderman by the largest plurality ever given to a candidate in Rensselaer. In politics a Democrat, Mr. McGowan holds office not merely as the choice of his own party and as an evidence of that party's recognition of his fitness and ability, but also, to a large extent, as the logical candidate of all parties. There are very few people at Rensselaer who do not know him. He has a host of friends and occupies the kind of a place in the community that it is not given to every man to enjoy. His interest in the welfare of the city and his whole-hearted devotion to its needs are matters of comment among all classes, and although he is extremely quiet and modest in debate, it is well understood that where the interests of Rensselaer are concerned, he has both fighting courage and tenacity of purpose.

Coming, as he does from a long line of Scottish ancestors, Mr. McGowan was born and baptized in the faith of a Presbyterian. He is a member of the Rensselaer congregation of that denomination and takes an active part in all church and Sunday school affairs. He is a Mason, and belongs to Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons. He is also a member of the Rensselaer Fire Department, and serves in Chemical Hose Company No. 4.

Mr. McGowan married, on June 4, 1912, at Rensselaer, Myrtle Viola Kraus, daughter of Michell Kraus. Mr. and Mrs. McGowan have two children: Ira Henry, and Isora Jeannette.

ALFRED JOHN KAUFMAN, as city engineer of Rensselaer, New York, is one of the enterprising and progressive local public officials of this community. His excellent technical training, followed by valuable practical experience has amply qualified him to discharge the duties of his office with notable efficiency.

Mr. Kaufman is a native of Rensselaer, where he was born November 9, 1880, his parents being Stephen and Anna E. (Mengwine) Kaufman, the former of whom was engaged in business there as a contractor for twenty years. Stephen Kaufman was a veteran of the Civil War, a charter member of Rensselaer County Veterans' Association, and was one of the organizers of Thurlow Weed Post, No. 400, Grand Army of the Republic. Alfred John Kaufman received his early education in the public schools of his native district and then became a student in the State Normal College, at Albany. Later he matriculated at Union Col-

lege, from which he was graduated in 1906 with the degree of Bachelor of Engineering. Upon the completion of his technical training he received an appointment in the engineering department of the State of New York. After gaining valuable experience in that connection, he further enlarged his field of practical experience by securing a position in the New York State Highway Department. In 1912 he was appointed city engineer of the city of Rensselaer for a term of two years. Upon the expiration of that term, in 1914, he was engaged as a contractor and consulting engineer, which occupation he continued to follow until May 1, 1919, when he was appointed supervising engineer for Rathbone, Sard & Company, of Albany and Aurora, Illinois. He was reappointed city engineer of Rensselaer January 1, 1923, by Mayor Harvey C. Younghaus. Politically he is a staunch Democrat and has been in the counsels of the party for twenty years. He also served as special engineer in the Troy Department of Public Works. Fraternally he is affiliated with Troy Lodge, No. 181, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and with Rensselaer Council, Knights of Columbus. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic church.

Alfred John Kaufman married, on June 24, 1908, Helena J. Kehn, daughter of Henry and Josephine Kehn, of Troy, New York, and they are the parents of two children: Alfred J. and William F., who were born in that city.

WILLIAM D. THOMAS, numbered among the prosperous and progressive business men of Hoosick Falls, for nearly twenty years has been engaged in the conduct of a drug store here. Mr. Thomas came originally from Granville, New York, where he was born March 22, 1880, a son of David D. and Mary (McKenzie) Thomas, his father engaged in the mercantile business for years. Mr. Thomas was a member of a family of three children, of whom he is the second, his brother being Glyn E., and his sister, Emily. Choosing to become a pharmacist after completing his studies in the schools of his home community, he took a course at the Albany College of Pharmacy, from which he received the degree of Pharmacœpia Graduate in 1904. Immediately following his graduation he entered the drug business at Hoosick Falls in partnership with Mr. Smith, and continued under the firm name of Smith & Thomas for a year. Subsequently he established himself independently, and since 1906 has been carrying on his own enterprise and practicing his profession as pharmacist here continuously.

Outside of his business Mr. Thomas maintains well-rounded interests and takes a leading part in the social and civic life of the community. In his political affiliation he is aligned with the Republican supporters. He has served the community in various official capacities and is at the present time (1923) chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He is also town clerk of the town of Hoosick, and exempt member of the Hoosick Falls Firemen. Among the clubs and societies in which he fills positions of leadership are the Hoosick Club; Hoosick Falls Lodge, No. 178, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler; is present district deputy of the Benevolent and Protec-

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tive Order of Elks for the New York Northeastern District, and a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has taken all degrees up to and including the Shrine, having chosen the Blue Lodge branch of the order.

Mr. Thomas married, on July 24, 1907, at Brooklyn, New York, Carolyn Haffner, of Brooklyn, New York. They have one daughter, Lillian, who was born at Hoosick Falls.

EDWARD COBURN WATERMAN—As proprietor of the hardware store formerly owned by Schuyler A. Hull, and established about 1880, by W. H. Lewis & Son, and exclusive agent for the Ford automobile at Berlin, New York, Mr. Waterman has won a secure place for himself in the community. He was born at Troy, New York, July 2, 1881, son of F. Irving and Elnora (Nichols) Waterman. His father, who was a prominent salesman of Troy and covered a large territory, died at the untimely age of forty-seven years, leaving a wide circle of business and personal friends. From him Mr. Waterman doubtless inherited a great deal of his mercantile and administrative ability.

Mr. Waterman received his education in the public schools, and after graduating from the Troy grammar schools, at the age of twelve years, was obliged to begin his business career at once. He had no difficulty in forming a connection with J. M. Warren and Company of Troy. Entering the service of this firm as an errand boy, he soon developed unusual ability and became a salesman, maintaining this connection until 1900, when he decided to learn the hardware business "from the ground up," and accordingly, entered the employ of Landers, Frary and Clark, of New Britain. Later, to further become posted in this line, he spent three years with the Stanley Rule and Level Company, also of New Britain, Connecticut. From 1900 to 1905 he devoted his energies to learning the hardware business from the manufacturing end, and having acquired a thorough knowledge of the trade during this period and becoming acquainted with conditions in many parts of the country, was engaged by the Clark Witbeck Company, to open up a wholesale territory in Northern and Eastern New York State. In 1910 he left the Clark Witbeck Company in order to accept a position with the Simmons Hardware Company, of St. Louis, Missouri. Naturally energetic, never sparing himself, and working early and late to further his firm's interests, Mr. Waterman's health, being unable to stand the strain, failed, and at the end of 1918 he suffered a complete breakdown, which was hastened by a serious accident which he sustained at that time. He was forced to resign his position and to give up all work in that year, and his employers and associates with whom his relations had always been of the most satisfactory and agreeable nature, were extremely sorry to lose him and especially in such circumstances. Warned by his physicians that he had only a short time to live, he came to Berlin in March, 1916, with his family, determined to make a desperate attempt to regain his health and strength. After spending a few months in Berlin, he was able to return to his former vocation, that of salesman for the Simmons Hardware Company. In October, 1920, he decided to

establish himself in business at Berlin. He had an opportunity to purchase the S. A. Hull Hardware Store, and immediately invested his capital in the venture. He met with an immediate success as the proprietor of this business. His long and intimate acquaintance with the hardware trade and his instinctive knowledge of the best methods of advertising and displaying his goods for sale enabled him to increase the yearly volume of sales very substantially after he assumed control of the establishment. He is still managing the affairs of the store, and has since become the exclusive agent for the Ford automobiles in the town. He deals only in goods of the highest quality and established reputation, and he makes a point of carrying a full stock of all staple articles, so that he may be able to fill his customers' order with the least possible delay. His health is now fully recovered and he feels a particular affection for the town of Berlin, considering that here he was able to overcome the illness which threatened his life. He is an ardent supporter of all progressive movements and takes an active part in all local activities for the betterment of the public welfare and the increase of business prosperity.

In politics Mr. Waterman is a Republican, and a firm supporter of constructive policies. He is a Mason, and belong to the Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Petersburg; St. George Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Schenectady; Apollo Commandery, Knights Templar, of Troy, New York; and Oriental Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He was one of the organizers of the United Commercial Travelers of Schenectady, and is the first past senior counselor of this lodge. During his years as a salesman, he made scores of friends and acquaintances in many different places, and among them all, the news of his renewed health and business prosperity has been received with sincere pleasure.

Mr. Waterman was married twice. His first wife was Marian Parker, of Meriden, Connecticut, and she is survived by one child, John Parker Waterman. In 1912 he was married to Florence L. Stilson, daughter of George R. and Emma Cole Stilson, of Oneida, New York, and they have two children: Edith Charlotte, born March 1, 1915; and Edward Stilson, born April 18, 1917.

GEORGE E. SMITH, M. D.—Professional circles of Hoosick Falls number among their most progressive members George E. Smith, M. D., who although of the younger element, has already attained an enviable position in the community. Dr. Smith names as his native city Troy, where he was born March 22, 1895, a son of Thomas and Susan (Connell) Smith, both of whom were also born in Troy. He is the youngest of a family of nine children, his brothers and sisters being in the order of their ages: Elizabeth, Dora, Catherine, Susan, Helen, Michael, Thomas, and Patrick. His earlier education was acquired at St. Joseph's Academy, while he fitted himself for the practice of his chosen profession by taking a course at the Albany Medical College, receiving his degree with the class of 1918. Immediately after graduation he returned to Troy and began to practice, but soon offered his services to the govern-

ment and was sent to the Naval Hospital, at Chelsea, Massachusetts. Later he was assigned to duty on the transport "South Bend," and following that was placed on duty at Newport, Rhode Island, his rank during his service being that of naval lieutenant of the senior grade. He received his discharge from the United States Navy in 1921, and then came to Hoosick Falls to resume private practice.

Dr. Smith is an influential factor in all phases of community life, and maintains membership in some of the leading organizations here, among these being the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the auxiliary staff of Troy Hospital. The rapidity with which he is building up his practice indicates a most promising future for him in his profession.

BYRON A. DAVIS—To the many citizens who quietly and faithfully pursue their callings, giving of their best to each day's work with no thought of fame, this country owes much. Intelligent and able, meeting the obligations of their business, civic and family responsibilities simply and unassumingly, they are the foundation of our national prosperity, the hope of our future. Especially do those who produce the crops which feed the world serve their fellows. The agriculturist holds the welfare of the world in his capable hands, and as he sows and reaps under the wide skies, meeting the hazards of the elements, of the climate, of the enemies of the insect world, and of chance, he develops a simplicity and directness of character, a resourcefulness and a wide and serene outlook which discerning men of other callings often envy. Among those who have quietly planted and tilled and reaped in Rensselaer county is Byron A. Davis, who throughout the entire period of his earlier years was engaged in cultivating the "home farm" in Berlin, New York.

Born in Berlin, New York, January 13, 1854, Mr. Davis was a son of Asa and Sarah (Satterlee) Davis. He received a good, practical education in the public schools of his native district and, as is the custom in rural districts, assisted on the farm during vacations and before and after school during the school term. When his school training was completed, he at once devoted his attention to the cultivation of the home farm, first as his father's assistant and later taking entire charge of the homestead acreage. There he continued to skillfully and faithfully follow his calling until he married, in 1886, at which time he began the management of the home farm of the late Albert Jones, Mrs. Davis' father, and he continued thus until terminated by death on August 25, 1906. His passing represented a distinct loss to his many friends and associates of the community and left a vacancy which could not easily be filled.

Byron A. Davis married, at Berlin, New York, January 6, 1886, Ella M. Jones, daughter of Albert and Susan (Grenolds) Jones, both now deceased. Her father was a native of Petersburg.

JOHN C. NORSK—Few of the citizens of Troy rendered more valuable service than John C. Norsk, former scout executive for Troy,

but now special deputy regional scout executive for the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, appointed April 15, 1923, headquarters at Macon, Georgia, working in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Mr. Norsk received careful training, which was supplemented by a wide and varied experience, but his most valuable assets in his work with boys are his energy, enthusiasm and his sterling qualities of character.

Born in New York City, October 20, 1888, son of H. C. Norsk, a contractor, and Mary (Cunningham) Norsk, Mr. Norsk, after attending the public schools of his native city, entered Eastman's Business College. Upon the completion of his business course he became a student in Wilmington Conference Academy, and then for two years continued his studies under special tutelage, intending at that time to enter the Methodist ministry. Becoming interested in social service, however, he attended the Philadelphia School for Social Workers for one term, and for three years was a student in the Boys' Work Course of the Young Men's Christian Association Summer School. During the latter period he was efficiently filling the position in the Young Men's Christian Association as boys' work secretary, which he accepted in 1911, at Chester, Pennsylvania, which connection he maintained until March 1, 1917, when he was commissioned scout executive for Petersburg, Virginia. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War in 1917 he resigned, and on November 5, 1917, enlisted as a private in the Sanitary Corps. Later he was commissioned a second and first lieutenant in the Sanitary Corps, and saw active service in France, where for about a year he was adjutant of Base Hospital No. 61. After receiving his honorable discharge July 25, 1919, he returned to Troy New York, and on September 15, 1919, was commissioned scout executive. That position he continued to most efficiently fill up to April 15, 1923, when he received his present position. His personal influence among the boys with whom he associated was very great, and he had the entire confidence of the Troy Council, which totals membership of 862. In addition to his business activities and his work in connection with the Scout movement, Mr. Norsk is a member of several organizations. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Social Workers' Club, of which he is now president; the Troy Post of the American Legion, which he serves as adjutant; the Association of the Army of the United States; and holds a commission of first lieutenant in the Officers' Reserve Corps, United States army. He is also a member of the Rotary Club, of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, as well as of several other civic organizations. His big work in Troy, however, is his work among the boys, and scouting in Troy is making steadily a substantial progress under his executive ability.

On September 4, 1919, at New Haven, Connecticut, John C. Norsk married Lida M. Plant, of Waterbury, Connecticut, daughter of Frank D. and Gussie (Hornbeck) Plant. Mr. and Mrs. Norsk reside at No. 35 Woodrow court, Troy, New York. Mrs. Norsk also served as an army nurse in France with Base Hospital No. 61. (They met in France).

WALTER ARTHUR PUPHAL—During the comparatively few years of his active career Mr. Puphal has had a wider and more varied experience than many men three times his age. A careful, scientific training, active experience as agriculturist, steam engineer, pharmacist in the United States Navy, as salesman, and as executive in the Young Men's Christian Association; and personal acquaintance with nearly every section of the United States have abundantly qualified him to efficiently fill the responsible position which he now holds, that of executive of Troy Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Walter Arthur Puphal was born in Merrill, Wisconsin, January 16, 1893, son of Herman and Martha Puphal, the former of whom is engaged in agricultural pursuits. After graduating from the grammar school in Bemidji, Minnesota, May 29, 1907, he attended the parochial school in Swanville, Minnesota, for six months, leaving there April 12, 1908.

Reared in the north woods region of Minnesota, he received his training in the essentials of pioneer life, his father, Herman Puphal, being at that time a homestead locater and logger. Removing to the valley of the Red River of the North, which has been styled "The Nile of North America," grain and stock farming was followed. It was during these years that occasional side ventures were pursued for their training value, as, for instance, a year as assistant buttermaker in a first-class coöperative creamery, and also a couple of seasons in the "Bad Lands" region of the Dakotas, to gain a knowledge of cattle ranching. He then became a student in the North Dakota School of Science, at Wahpeton, North Dakota, where he continued his studies from November, 1915, to April, 1917. The entrance of the United States into the World War then interrupted his studies. He enlisted in the United States Navy, June 26, 1917, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, as hospital apprentice, and after seven months of intensive training in all pharmaceutical branches, three at San Francisco, and four at Newport, Rhode Island, he was placed on active duty in the Naval Hospital, at Twenty-fourth street and Gray's Ferry, Philadelphia, for ten months. For six months more he served at the Naval Operating Base, at Hampton Roads, Virginia, and received his honorable discharge on the receiving ships at Brooklyn, New York, August 16, 1919. He was a member of the Official Navy Glee Club of the Sixth Division, Bureau of Navigation, which after the close of the war went on the Keith Vaudeville Circuit for eight months. Thirty-two States were visited in the time of service in the navy and on the Keith Circuit. After the completion of the tour with the Glee Club he secured a position as salesman for the Grolier Publishing Company, and later came to Troy as business secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. His ability was soon recognized and he was made assistant executive of the Troy Council, Boy Scouts of America, John C. Norsk then being executive. In April, 1923, Mr. Norsk resigned and Mr. Puphal succeeded him as executive of the Troy Council. He has won in a high degree the confidence of the Troy Council, which totals a membership of 862, and is doing a splendid work among the boys of the city. Fraternally he is affiliated with Mount Zion Lodge, No.

311, Free and Accepted Masons; and with Troy Post, No. 628, American Legion. He is also a member of the Troy Central Young Men's Christian Association; and his religious affiliation is with Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, of Troy, New York.

As this article goes to press we have the announcement that on November 28, 1923, Walter Arthur Puphal was to be married to Gertrude Mae Wendell, daughter of Bernard, Jr., and Clara (Armstrong) Wendell.

THOMAS A. McGRATH, M. D.—A representative member of the men engaged in professional life at Hoosick Falls, New York, is Dr. Thomas A. McGrath, who has been engaged in the practice of medicine here since 1911. Dr. McGrath is a native son of this community, and except when acquiring his education has spent his entire life here. His birth occurred at Hoosick Falls, November 13, 1887, his parents being Edward McGrath, who died in July, 1922, and Catherine (Powers) McGrath. He is the oldest of a family of six children, his brothers and sisters being: William; Walter, who is a doctor of dental surgery; Joseph, who was a member of the Twenty-seventh Division, saw overseas service, and was wounded in action in France; Hugh; and Catherine.

During his boyhood, Dr. McGrath was sent by his parents to St. Mary's Parochial School, while he took his medical course at the Albany Medical College, graduating from there in 1909. The following two years he spent gaining hospital experience at Gouverneur Hospital, in New York City, and in 1911 returned to Hoosick Falls, where he has been engaged in practice ever since. Dr. McGrath did his part during the World War as a member of the Medical Corps of the United States army, with the rank of first lieutenant, and was stationed at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, for a time. Later he was sent to Camp Mills, as chief Medical inspector, this being a position usually held by a major. He received his discharge on January 13, 1919, and immediately returned to Hoosick Falls, resuming his practice here.

Dr. McGrath is held in high esteem not only by his colleagues, but the people of the whole community, and has been called upon on numerous occasions to accept official duties. He has served as town physician, town health officer, and was for three years elected to the office of county coroner. In his political affiliation he is a member of the Democratic party. He has also maintained close touch with the various organizations of the men of his profession, and belongs to the county, State and national medical societies.

The marriage of Dr. McGrath to Helen Whitkop, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Lambert) Whitkop, took place at Hoosick Falls on October 10, 1916, and they have one son, Walter McGrath, who was born here. The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic church, and Dr. McGrath is a valued member of the Knights of Columbus.

JOHN FREDERICK PLOTH, after eleven years of business experience in New York City, opened a general store in Brookview, Rens-

selaer county, New York, and there for the past two decades he has supplied the people of the community with the most of the necessities and some of the luxuries of life.

Born in Brookview, New York, November 20, 1869, Mr. Ploth is the son of Lewis, who was throughout his mature life identified with the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, and Rachel (Roliff) Ploth. He received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district and then became his father's assistant on the farm, where he remained until he was twenty-one ears old. Soon after attaining his majority he resolved to seek his fortune in New York City. He went to the metropolis and there entered the employ of the A. M. Parker Ice Company. The young man was not one of those who jump from one position to another, and his connection with the Parker Ice Company was maintained for eleven years. At the end of that time, having gained considerable experience and having learned much by observation, he decided that the time had come when he might wisely return to his native town and engage in business for himself. He had saved a fair proportion of his earnings and at once opened a general store in Brookview. The enterprise was successful, and from that time to the present (1923) he has been continuously and successfully engaged in supplying the many needs of the people of Brookview and the surrounding country. In addition to his activities as owner and proprietor of a thriving merchandise business, Mr. Ploth is also postmaster of Brookview, having received his appointment to that position in 1910, and continued to hold it to the present time. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. His religious affiliation is with the Lutheran church of New York City. Mr. Ploth has a host of friends in his native town, and is most highly esteemed, both as an energetic and reliable business man and as an able and progressive citizen.

John Frederick Ploth married, on September 2, 1892, Anna Persh, daughter of Frederick and Anna Persh, and they are parents of two sons: Leslie, who was born February 17, 1898; and John F., who was born January 15, 1900.

CHARLES M. CURRAN—Known to thousands of New York and New England residents as one of the senior conductors of the Boston and Albany railroad, Mr. Curran was born at Rensselaer, New York, October 30, 1883, son of John E. and Margaret (Riley) Curran. At the time of his birth, the site of the present city of Rensselaer was occupied by a typical New York village, called Greenbush. Mr. Curran's parents had previously established their family home in the place and were the owners of a considerable amount of village property. During Mr. Curran's childhood, the name of the town was changed to Rensselaer and still later the city was incorporated. Mr. Curran's father was one of the incorporators and likewise one of Rensselaer's first trustees. A genial and kindly man, he died in 1899, at the early age of forty-nine, and Mr. Curran's mother did not long survive him. She died at the age of forty-eight, in the year 1900, leaving a family of seven children, of whom Mr. Curran was the youngest. His brothers and sisters, all

of whom are still living, are as follows: Margaret, Lucille, Anne D., Julia, John, and Frank.

Mr. Curran received his education as a pupil of St. John's Academy, at Rensselaer, and upon leaving school decided to become a bridge and structural iron worker. He traveled to various part of the State of New York, observing and studying the work of construction gangs and finding employment for himself, first, at one place and then at another. He had no lack of opportunity to earn a living as an iron worker, but as time went on he began to see that there were other occupations better suited to his abilities than iron working. Railroad life in particular made a strong appeal to him, and in 1904 he decided to enter the service of one of the New England roads. Accordingly he obtained a position as brakeman on the Albany and Boston line and in this new field his worth was soon recognized. Three years after he entered the service of the road as a brakeman, he was appointed to the position of one of the company's conductors and he has been with the road in that capacity ever since.

Mr. Curran is not only a life-long resident of Rensselaer, but a life-long resident of the Fifth Ward as well. His present home is in the same neighborhood and on the same street as the one in which he was born. A Democrat in politics, Mr. Curran represents his ward as alderman and next to his interest in railroad and traffic affairs, he may be said to be pre-occupied by the duties and responsibilities of his official position. A man of deep feeling, whose sympathies incline him towards those who are still struggling to find their way, he is the friend of many younger men, and is always ready to spend himself in an effort to find practical solutions for the problems they present to him. Above all things in politics, Mr. Curran stands for human welfare, believing that a community is only as strong and reliable as the individuals of which it is composed, and on this account he believes in public health service, dental attention for children in the public schools, increased recreational facilities for all classes of the community, and attractive libraries, with special rooms for children. Both Mr. Curran's parents were Catholics, and as a member of St. John's Parish, at Rensselaer, he is himself a staunch adherent of that faith. He has been an active member of the Knights of Columbus for many years, and is keenly interested in all the phases of its educational work. During the World War he was of great assistance to the local organization in its efforts to raise funds to safeguard the health and to protect the morals of United States soldiers and sailors who had suddenly been called to the colors and mobilized for service overseas. He is also an active member of the Rensselaer Fire Department and holds office as president of the E. F. Hart Hose Company, having been elected to that office for a term of three years. He is also member of the Association of Railroad Conductors, and his opinion is regarded with respect by the officers of the association.

Mr. Curran married, on April 21, 1909, at Watervliet, New York, Anna Donlon, daughter of Patrick J. Donlon. Mr. and Mrs. Curran have no children.

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JOHN FRANCIS ROURKE, for a number of years known to citizens of Troy, New York, as a very successful teamster, in which capacity he is working for the Lawlor & Cavanaugh Cold Storage Company, Troy, beginning his labors there November 12, 1923, was born on a farm in County Kerry, Ireland, June 24, 1861, and came with his parents, Bryon and Bridget (Shea) Rourke, and a brother to Troy, New York, in 1866. Here he attended St. Peter's Parochial School, and at the age of eleven began work as a newsboy. When he was fourteen he was self-supporting. With a natural fondness for horses, he decided to engage in business as a teamster, and continued as such until 1921, when he retired to serve as assemblyman, devoting his time to the duties of his office. Although evincing an interest in politics at an early age he could not be said to covet the title of politician. Yet, in 1921, the district in which he lived, and a predominantly Republican one, elected him to the State Assembly by a majority of eighty-nine votes as Democratic representative. Again, in 1922, this district gave him the largest majority ever won by a Democrat, which was 4,200, but he was defeated at the polls, November 6, 1923, for the same office. He served on several important committees and among them are the following: Committee of affairs; committee of villages; committee of labor and industry. Mr. Rourke is interested in civic affairs and in labor unions. He retains his membership in the Teamsters' Union, and is a member of the Trojan Rod and Gun Club, and St. Patrick's Conference Holy Name Society. In 1894 he joined the Stanton Steamer Fire Company as a volunteer fireman, later serving as captain for a term, treasurer for a term, and trustee and president of the board of trustees of the firemen's fund. He was president of the donation committee of this fund. In 1899 he became an exempt fireman, after seventeen years of faithful service as a volunteer.

Mr. Rourke married Anna E. Conway, who was a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, but afterward resided in Troy and Green Island, New York. The wedding occurred November 24, 1886. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rourke: John, who died in infancy and Mary Cecilae, who was educated in St. Patrick's Academy in this city.

R. FRANK LEWIS, formerly engaged in the hardware business as proprietor of a store on Main street, Berlin, New York, is now the owner of a mill at Berlin, where he carries on the business of manufacturing spools and wooden novelties. He was born at Berlin, October 25, 1872, son of William H. and Theodocia (Adams) Lewis. He is one of a family of four children, the others being: William E., of Buffalo, New York; Charles H., of Peekskill, New York; and Ida Rebecca, of Center Berlin; all of whom are living, the father being a tinsmith by trade.

Mr. Lewis received his education in the public schools of Berlin, where he completed his preliminary studies. He then proceeded to the night school of Pratt Institute for a while and began his business career as general manager of the Springer-Torsion Balance Company, of Jersey City, New Jersey, which connection he maintained for five years. During this association he acquired practical business experience and also

met with great success in his capacity as an executive. At the end of this time however, his health declined and he was obliged to give up his position and to return to Berlin in order to take a much needed rest. In 1895, his health being completely reëstablished, he decided to invest his capital in the hardware business. He built a block on Main street where he established a high-class hardware, tinning and plumbing store, meeting with so much success in this venture that he, with his father, continued to conduct it for fifteen years under the firm name of W. H. Lewis & Son. He then, in 1915, decided to associate himself in business with his brother, Charles, in the manufacture of wooden novelties in Peekskill, New York. Accordingly he disposed of his business to great advantage, his father retiring and he moving to Peekskill where he found the manufacturing business both interesting and agreeable. He remained with his brother for five years, to whom he then sold out his interest, and then spent a year and a half in Buffalo, in the manufacture of candy. He being one of the stockholders and directors in the Emerick Candy Company. He subsequently returned to Berlin, and after careful consideration he purchased the Frary Spool plant, which he equipped in a thoroughly up-to-date manner, and where he carried on the business of manufacturing spools and wooden novelties. In 1923 Mr. Lewis sold his spool and novelty plant to J. D. Rogers Company, and is now managing the Hardwood Products Company's toothpick factory, at Guilford, Maine.

Mr. Lewis has taken an active interest in politics, and was collector of the town of Berlin for two terms. He is a Republican in his political affiliation, and is a constructive and far-sighted citizen, taking the most active interest in all civic matters that tend to the prosperity or the increased welfare of the community. He was one of the pioneer movers with ex-Assemblyman Tracy D. Taylor in installing a lighting system and putting in the present Berlin electric light plant, all the construction work having been under Mr. Lewis' direction. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Lewis also put in the electric water power plant at Oakwood Cemetery, Troy, New York. Mr. Lewis' father, who is alive to-day to see this progress of his native town, at the age of eighty-two years, witnessed the first train of cars that ran from Buffalo, New York, to Erie, Pennsylvania, being then a pupil at school. In 1900 Mr. Lewis built a one-third mile banked bicycle track near Berlin, known as Echo Park, for the borough, where ball games and races were held every Saturday and holidays, expert riders being attracted from various points and the track being considered the best in that section of the State. He was also interested in baseball, he being manager, and A. C. Niles, captain, of the Berlin team, and champion in 1890 of Rensselaer county. For years at one time Mr. Niles and Mr. Lewis were the best battery in this section. Later he played as "catcher," going to Bennington, Vermont, where he played as a professional baseball player for several years. Mr. Lewis belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, was formerly treasurer; he also belongs to the Maccabees, in which he is a member of the Berlin Lodge. In religious faith he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and takes an active interest in the various humanitarian movements conducted by that body.

Mr. Lewis married (first), on December 24, 1901, at Berlin, Mary E. Yerton, daughter of Casper and Amelia (Brough) Yerton, who died in the spring of 1918, in Peekskill, New York. They were the parents of three children: Irene, who married H. O. Crooker, of Buffalo, New York, and they have one child, Mary Jane; Norma, who married Dr. L. D. Greene, of Petersburg, New York, and they have a daughter, Elizabeth; and Rollin, who is in his second year at high school (1923). Mr. Lewis married (second), in the fall of 1921, Selma Yerton, a sister of his first wife.

JOSEPH THOMAS MALONEY, M. C. P.—In professional circles in Troy, New York, Dr. Maloney is taking a prominent place in one of the newer realms of scientific advance as a podiatrist. A member of a very prominent family of Troy, Mr. Maloney is one of the influential young men of the city, and is universally considered one of the most promising figures in professional circles. He is a son of John J. and Alice (McLaughlin) Maloney, of Troy.

Joseph Thomas Maloney was born in Troy, New York, January 9, 1896. His school attendance was begun at St. Peter's Academy, and he later attended Public School No. 10, where he was graduated in 1913, then attended the Troy High School. He then entered First Institute in Podiatry, in New York City, from which he was graduated in 1917, with the degree of M. C. P. For ten months following his graduation Dr. Maloney served as an assistant in Philadelphia, and for a similar period in New York City. He then enlisted as private in the World War, on September 3, 1918, and served at Syracuse and Oswego, New York, also at Camp Dix, and received his honorable discharge from the service on January 29, 1918. Returning to his native city of Troy, Dr. Maloney entered upon the general practice of his profession in February of the same year, with offices at No. 33 Third street, and shortly gained a gratifying start in his profession. He has developed a very considerable practice, and his success in his special field is assured. Dr. Maloney is a member of Troy Post, American Legion; a member of National Association of Chiropodists; and the Pedic Society of the State of New York. His chief recreation is motoring.

DELBERT BENJAMIN TRYON, a representative citizen of this section of Rensselaer county, is filling the position of station master for the Rutland railroad at that point. Mr. Tryon is a native of St. Lawrence county, New York, where he was born January 20, 1875, on his father's farm, his parents being David and Malinda (Jenkins) Tryon. The family moved West when he was a young boy, his father engaging in ranching on the plains of South Dakota, about fifty miles from the capital of that State for ten years. Subsequently they went to Iowa and lived on a farm there for three years. It was in these Western States accordingly that Mr. Tryon acquired his education.

The attractions of that part of the country did not prove sufficiently alluring to induce him to settle there permanently, and in 1894 he returned to this section, entering the employ of the Rutland railroad. Be-

ginning with a minor clerkship, he worked diligently and gained promotion from time to time, and at the end of his office service had attained the position of chief clerk and cashier. In 1906 he was given charge of the station at Brushton, where he remained three years, and from there was transferred to Ellenburg. He continued to fill his position at that point until 1916, when he accepted the offer to take charge of Berlin station, and has ever since continued here in the capacity of station master and telegrapher.

Mr. Tryon is a man of progressive type and takes an active interest in all phases of community life. He has also served in official capacities and was a member of the Board of Education in 1921, 1922, and 1923. In his political affiliation he works with the Republican party adherents. He is one of the most valued members of the First Methodist Church, of which he is treasurer at the present time.

Mr. Tryon married, on October 6, 1899, at Malone, New York, Anna C. Keeler, daughter of Hiram E. Keeler, her father being chief train dispatcher for the Rutland railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Tryon became the parents of five children, four of whom are living: Harold; Howard R.; Maurice, deceased; Anita, and Elsie.

THOMAS JOSEPH FAHEY—Chief of police of Rensselaer, New York, Mr. Fahey has made his way to a position of eminence in the community by sheer force of character and indomitable energy in circumstances which would have daunted a man less richly gifted with the courage and tenacity of his race. He was born at Rensselaer, New York, April 20, 1872, son of Thomas and Mary (McHale) Fahey. His father, who was born in Ireland in 1834, emigrated to the United States at the age of fifteen years and settled at Rensselaer, where he lived for the sixty years, from 1849 to 1909. Mr. Fahey's mother was also born in Ireland and came to this country with her parents at an early age. She met the elder Mr. Fahey at Rensselaer and before long became his wife. The story of the early struggles of the little family would constitute a veritable epic, revealing at once the trials of life in the New World and the secret of America's present greatness, which lies in the splendid courage and wonderful character of her sons and daughters, and in none more than in those who came to her shores from the troubled land of Erin, then oppressed by the rule of alien conquerors. Mr. Fahey was the eldest of the family, having two sisters: Catherine, who is now Mrs. Morton Heeley, and Margaret. The family was hard pressed by adverse circumstances, and the father had difficulty in maintaining the home. With characteristic energy, Mr. Fahey, as soon as he had reached an age that permitted him to leave the local public school, where he received his early education, set out to add to the family income and to assist his father in supporting his mother and two little sisters. But in those days there was little work to be had; the city of Rensselaer was only a small village, known as Greenbush, and the principal business enterprise was connected with the New York Central railroad. To the railroad, therefore, Mr. Fahey went for employment. He was set to work shoveling coal in the railroad yards, and at this exhausting physical labor

he earned a small sum, which, when added to the family income, made all the difference between ruin and a bare margin of success. But the work, which is to-day considered all that a strong man of powerful physique can accomplish, proved heartbreaking for a young boy, and Mr. Fahey cannot be too highly respected and admired for his dogged persistence and family devotion which kept him at the task in spite of aching muscles and the complete exhaustion of his energy which came with the close of each day. Thus, working with rare fidelity and tenacity, he made his way up to the position of foreman of the railroad shops at Rensselaer, which he attained at a remarkably early age. With this improvement in his working condition came a corresponding amelioration of his home surroundings and a great lessening of the burdens borne by his parents. As his father grew too advanced in years for active participation in business affairs, Mr. Fahey was ready and willing, and well as able, to maintain the household, and by his efforts the last years of his father's life were spent in comfort and ease, which proved all the more welcome after the hardships and privations of his early life. Mr. Fahey's mother survives her husband and is now living in Rensselaer.

In 1902 Mr. Fahey, who had become widely known and was greatly respected throughout the city, was elected chief of police of Rensselaer, and this office he has held ever since. He has filled this office with great fidelity and devotion, and has spared no pains to give the city the most efficient and adequate police protection possible. A great believer in discipline, he has impressed his personality upon the entire department, and every member of the force is not only filled with a firm purpose to serve the city, but also feels the greatest respect and affection for the chief. A man capable of inspiring such loyalty in others must be essentially loyal to himself, and Mr. Fahey has proved his loyalty to the city in countless ways throughout twenty years of self-sacrificing service. The city of Rensselaer is to be congratulated upon its police force and upon its chief of police, than which there are none finer in the country.

Mr. Fahey is a member of the State Police Association. He is also first chief of the fire department of Rensselaer, and takes an active part in the work of fire prevention by supporting all measures designed to provide adequate inspection of schools, stores, theatres, and similar buildings, and to maintain an abundant supply of water for use in case of fire, as well as suitable apparatus for fighting fire. Mr. Fahey is an active and devoted member of the Knights of Columbus, belonging to Rensselaer Lodge, of which he has served as trustee for the past eight years. In religious faith he is a Catholic, and belongs to the parish of St. Joseph's Church at Rensselaer. He is a member of all the church committees, and is a leader in all the undertakings of the laymen of the parish.

On January 29, 1904, Mr. Fahey married, at Albany, New York, Margaret Von Lehman, daughter of Henry and Margaret (Loch) Von Lehman. Mrs. Fahey is a descendant of an old Dutch family which came to New York from the Netherlands in the early days. Mr. and Mrs. Fahey have two children: Viola, who was born June 13, 1905; and John,

who was born April 28, 1908. Mr. Fahey, remembering his own early struggles, determined from the very beginning to give his children every advantage of home life and educational opportunities that he could and this resolve he has carried out. His daughter Viola proceeded from high school to New York State College, where she is now a student, and his son John is a pupil in the schools of Rensselaer, being destined to proceed to college after his graduation from high school. Mr. Fahey's children have inherited the excellent qualities of their parents, and are devoting themselves to study with energy and enthusiasm, understanding from their father's early history that they have a great and inestimable privilege in being allowed to fit themselves thus for their business or professional careers. It is to such a home as Mr. Fahey's that America will look for the rulers, scientists, and men of affairs of the future, and his wise control of his children's education and upbringing would entitle him to the respect and admiration of the community in itself.

GEORGE J. FREY—That this is the name of one of Berlin's successful business men, all his fellow-citizens are fully aware. Mr. Frey was born February 22, 1880, in the town of which he has ever since been a resident, and is a son of Louis and Martha L. (Miller) Frey, whose other children are: William, Frederick, Martin, and Lucinda. George J. is the third in order of birth.

The education of George J. Frey was received in local schools and at the Berlin High School. Under the instruction of his father, who has now retired but was formerly a shoemaker of the old school, he acquired, as a boy, a thorough knowledge of the trade, remaining with his father until 1912. In that year he purchased the property now known as the Frey Block and established therein a general store which he still conducts. Politically Mr. Frey is a Democrat, and has served two years as town clerk of Berlin, New York. He affiliates with Berlin Lodge, Modern Woodmen, in which he holds the office of clerk. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, in which he has for five years served as a member of the board of trustees. Mr. Frey has proved himself an able business man and a good citizen, and his fellow-citizens will undoubtedly give him further evidences of their appreciation as the years go on.

GLENN PERKINS EDWARDS, one of the well trained and thoroughly efficient technical and engineering experts of Rensselaer county, after receiving a thorough technical training followed by extended experience in government survey and construction work, is now conducting his own surveying and hydro-electric engineering business with offices located at East Greenbush, New York.

Born in New York, December 27, 1884, son of Robert E. and Etta L. (Perkins) Edwards, Glenn Perkins Edwards received his early education in the public schools of his native district, also in the public schools of Utica, New York, and of Jersey City, New Jersey. He then became a student in Colgate Academy, from which he entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, New York. He graduated from that

institution with the class of 1913, and then for two years was engaged in barge canal work for the State of New York. His next employment was also in the employ of New York State, in charge of the construction of state highways, which connection he maintained for a period of six years. When that term of State service was completed, he went to Greenbush, New York, where he opened an office and engaged in business for himself. He does a general line of surveying and hydro-electric work and has built up a large and important business. He is widely known as an expert in his field and his eight years of public service have proved to be of great value to him in conducting his own business, both through the experience gained and through the great number of acquaintances made during that period. Mr. Edwards lives in Greenbush and has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the community. He gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Democratic party, and since 1919 has served as the justice of the peace. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of Scodach Union, No. 87, Free and Accepted Masons; of Temple Chapter, No. 5, Royal Arch Masons; and of De Witt Clinton Council, No. 22, Royal and Select Masters. Mr. Edwards is well known and highly esteemed in Greenbush and vicinity and among his professional associates in various parts of the State he is also greatly respected. He has a host of personal friends, who value his friendship most highly, and he has established an enviable reputation as expert in his own particular field of business activity.

Glenn Perkins Edwards married, on October 16, 1913, at Ellenville, New York, Essie Sherman, daughter of Calvin and Ella (Townsend) Sherman. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards are the parents of four children: Lula Essie, who was born November 22, 1914; Doris Virginia, born September 14, 1916; Anita Marie, born June 4, 1918; and Rhea Lois, born September 1, 1921.

THOMAS JOSEPH COLEMAN—Visitors to the town of Rensselaer, New York, have found, much to their relief and satisfaction, that excellent hotel accommodations may be obtained there. Only the traveler can fully appreciate the advantages which a well-managed hotel offers, but the residents of Rensselaer recognize the value of their excellent places of public accommodations. One of the many who are helping to make possible temporary but comfortable home life for transient visitors is Thomas Joseph Coleman who, in association with his father-in-law, Michael J. McQuade, has been engaged in the hotel business in East Greenbush, New York, since 1916. Mr. Coleman is also a representative in the State Legislature.

John Coleman, father of Thomas Joseph Coleman, was during the greater part of his mature life engaged in the collar manufacturing industry. He was also one of the prominent participants in public affairs and a prominent ward politician of Troy. He married Mary ———, and they were the parents of three children: Mary, Julia; and Thomas Joseph, of further mention.

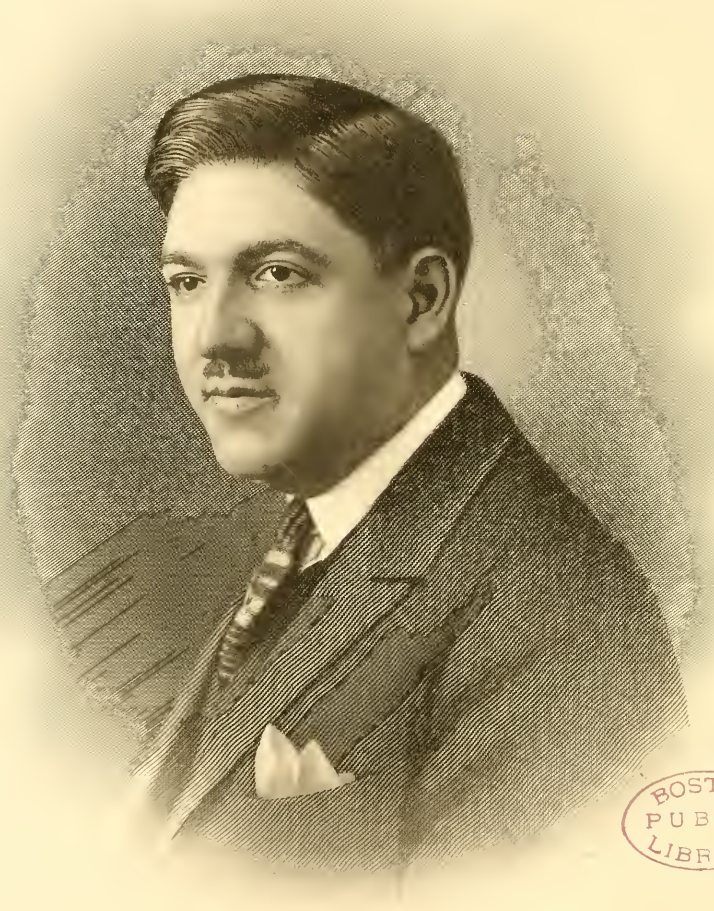
Thomas Joseph Coleman, son of John and Mary Coleman, was born in Troy, New York, April 25, 1890, and received his education in St.

Joseph's Academy. One of the most important industries of the city of Troy is the manufacture of shirts and collars, and when Mr. Coleman had finished his school training, he found his first employment with the Cluett, Peabody Collar Company, with whom he remained until 1916. He had at that time been in the employ of the Cluett, Peabody Collar Company for eight years, but at this time severed his connection with the concern in order that he might engage in the hotel business in association with the man who was later to become his father-in-law. In association with Michael J. McQuade he embarked upon a business venture which has proved to be most successful. The partners went to East Greenbush, New York, and there opened a hotel. They made excellent service and reliable business methods their working slogan and upon that foundation have built up a patronage which has steadily increased, and at the present time is one of the largest and best of its size in the city. Along with his responsibilities as a hotel man, Mr. Coleman has taken an active part in public affairs. He gives his support to the Democratic party and in the elections of 1923, after years of prominence in the activities of the county he scored a victory against a very strong opponent and was elected as representative of his district in the House of Assembly of the State of New York. Mr. Coleman is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Albany, New York, and his religious connection is with the Roman Catholic church.

Thomas Joseph Coleman married, at Troy, New York, September 10, 1919, Loretta McQuade, daughter of Michael J. and Lucy McQuade.

LEALON A. GRANT, a well-known business man of Rensselaer county, is the son of a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Petersburg, New York, February 2, 1884, son of George B. and Margaret (Hutchinson) Grant. His father, who was a farmer and owned a splendid farm near Berlin, New York, was a member of an old New York State family. When the Civil War broke out George Grant, who was then quite young, enlisted in the 125th Volunteers from New York State and served with this regiment for many celebrated engagements. He was taken prisoner during the Battle of Harper's Ferry, and after being confined for some time by the Confederate troops, was paroled. He returned to his farm near Berlin, where he has resided ever since. But, unfortunately, the sufferings he endured as a prisoner in the Confederate prison camps, where conditions were very bad and there were not enough nurses or doctors to care for more than the smallest fraction of the prisoners who suffered from the, in many cases, unavoidable, lack of food, warmth and clothing, so undermined his health that he has ever since been weak and ailing. Lealon A. Grant is one of a family of six children, his brothers and sisters being: Warren, Noah, Fred, Ida, and Orella, who is younger than Mr. Grant.

Mr. Grant's education was received in the public schools of Berlin, and because of his intense ambition and desire to achieve success as an independent business man, he left school immediately upon the completion of the grammar school course, while he was still quite young. He found his first employment with the Rutland railroad as an appren-



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tice boy. In spite of the fact that the work was arduous he was greatly interested in it and stuck steadily until he attained the position of foreman of the shops. In 1908 however, he decided he had acquired sufficient business experience to enable him to take the management of an independent business. After careful consideration he entered the employ of the Berlin Steam Laundry, and from his entrance into this concern the venture prospered to a remarkable degree. He directed its affairs for a period of five years and then spent the next two years in the mercantile business. In 1915 Mr. Grant was appointed deputy sheriff of Rensselaer county, and accordingly severed his mercantile connection in order to devote the whole of his time and energy to the duties of that official position. He served as deputy sheriff for the next ten years, and during this period established a reputation as a capable and fearless officer of the law, always ready to sacrifice himself and his personal interests for the welfare of the community. In 1920 Mr. Grant decided to return to the field of business and established himself at Berlin as a real estate and insurance dealer. He has met with unusual success in this field, and now represents many prominent insurance Companies. He is a keen and alert judge of land values, and has more than once been able to foresee the trend of development in such a way as to enable him to take advantage of excellent opportunities in the real estate market. He has affected many important transfers of property and is generally regarded as one of the most progressive and vigorous business men of the county.

In politics Mr. Grant is a staunch Republican. His connection with official life did not entirely cease when he left the sheriff's office, for he now holds the position of assistant county jailer and attends to the duties of this position in addition to managing his extensive real estate and insurance business. In religious faith Mr. Grant is an Episcopalian and belongs to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, taking an active part in the work of the congregation. He is a Mason, holding membership in the Star Lodge, No. 670. He is also a member of the Berlin Lodge, No. 578, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and takes the greatest interest in the work of this organization.

Mr. Grant married, at Troy, New York, on April 9, 1919, Beatrice Eaton, daughter of Ira and Margaret (Eaton) Eaton. Mr. and Mrs. Grant have no children. Their family home is at Center Berlin, New York.

MICHAEL ERCOLE de LUCA, M. D., as a specialist in surgery has devoted his entire time to that work in Troy, New York, for a number of years with marked success. He is actively associated with many societies and clubs in this city and elsewhere. His parents are Guy and Lisa (Cirrilo) de Luca, both now deceased. Dr. de Luca was born in Candeta, Province of Fioggia, Italy, March 2, 1888.

Michael Ercole de Luca first attended private schools in his native country, and when his family came to America, in 1898, and settled in Troy, New York, he entered the public schools there, graduating from Troy Academy in 1907. It was his ambition to became a physician, so

he attended the Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1911, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Until 1912 he was an interne at the Troy Hospital, and in the same year commenced to practice medicine in that city. After pursuing post-graduate work, he specialized in gynecology with a view to discontinuing general practice, which he has done, being at present attending gynecologist with the Troy Hospital. His club membership is in the following: American Medical Association; New York State Medical Society; Rensselaer County Medical Society; Italian Surgical Society of the United States; honorary member of the Italian Surgical Society of Rome, Italy; Italian Columbus Social Club of Troy; and the Van Schaick Golf Club. He is a contributor to medical literature, and when circumstances permit of recreational interest he plays golf and travels extensively.

On July 2, 1912, Dr. de Luca was married to Helen F. Fitzpatrick, of Troy, and three children were born to them: Paul Michael, Lisa Helen, and Arthur Anthony. The family residence is at No. 149 Third street.

JAMES WILLIAM FLACK PODMORE—For more than four decades James William Flack Podmore, secretary, treasurer and manager of the Ostrander Fire Brick Company, has been associated with the business of manufacturing fire brick, and there are few who are more thoroughly "master of the art" than is he.

Born in West Troy, New York, June 18, 1850, Mr. Podmore is a son of Joseph Podmore, a native of Montreal, Canada, who came to this country during his early manhood and settled in West Troy, New York, and of Hildah A. (Hayford) Podmore, who was of Holland-Dutch ancestry, but whose paternal grandfather came to this country from England. He received his general education in the public schools of West Troy and then completed his preparation for an active career by taking a three months' course in Troy Business College. When his business course was completed he found his first employment in the lumber industry, entering the employ of one of the big concerns of West Troy. He soon, however, became associated with James Jones, with whom, under the firm name of Jones & Podmore, he engaged in the jewelry business in West Troy. In 1885 the business was removed to No. 280 River street, where it met with substantial success. Mr. Podmore retained his connection with the firm until 1907, when he withdrew. Meantime, Mr. Podmore had become interested in the fire-brick business, and in 1879 had entered the employ of James Ostrander & Son, in the capacity of bookkeeper. Later he was made general manager of the latter concern and that executive position he has continued to fill until the present time. On May 6, 1891, the company was re-organized and incorporated under the name of the Ostrander Fire Brick Company, Incorporated, and Mr. Podmore was made secretary and treasurer of the new corporation, in which connection he continued to manage the business. At the present time (1923) Francis A. Ostrander is president; Mr. Podmore, treasurer and general manager; and Joseph Podmore (son of Mr.

Podmore), secretary. The concern was founded in a small way in 1850 by James Ostrander, and though the plant has twice been burned, it was each time rebuilt on the same site on Second street, where it is still located. The concern owns one of the oldest and largest fire-brick manufacturing plants in the State and sends its products to all parts of the United States and to Canada, the West Indies and South America.

As treasurer and general manager, Mr. Podmore is ably and vigorously attending to the practical direction of production and the output of the plant is steadily increasing. It is not only as a business man however, that Mr. Podmore is known and esteemed in Troy. He has many friends and associates in whose esteem he holds a high place because of his sterling traits of character and his personal qualities. He is a member of the German Memorial Presbyterian Church, which he serves as a member of the board of elders.

James William Flack Podmore married, on February 3, 1877, Alice Brown, daughter of Rev. William R., a noted Methodist minister of the Troy Conference, and Sarah (Smith) Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Podmore are the parents of six children: James Cyrus, deceased, who was a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; E. Winifred; Joseph, who is now secretary of the Ostrander Fire Brick Company; Ruth, who married George W. Moore, of Bangor, Maine, (deceased); and two who died in infancy. The family residence is at Watervliet, New York.

DAGOBERT ZEISER, a venerable and honored figure in the business life of Troy, New York, although he is now in the eighty-second year of his age, is daily active at his business offices and is keenly alert to every phase of modern progress. His commercial record in Troy covers the entire period subsequent to the Civil War, during which time he has dealt in meats, having been in the wholesale branch for the past forty years. A native of Germany, Mr. Zeiser is a son of John B. and Caroline (Mueller) Zeiser, his father a wealthy grain dealer prior to the Rebellion of 1848, in which he lost his entire fortune. Both the father and mother were members of very prominent German families.

Dagobert Zeiser was born in Wittenberg, Germany, December 13, 1841. He received a common school education in his native land, but as a young man came to the United States, and located in Troy, New York, on April 13, 1860. The difficulties he encountered in gaining a foothold in a strange land were many, but at length securing a position as a farm laborer at West Sand Lake, New York, he continued there until President Lincoln's first call for volunteers aroused the young men of the land. Then espousing the cause of freedom and Union, Dagobert Zeiser took up arms with the earliest volunteers of that trying period. Assigned to Company H, 169th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, he went to the front as a member of an all-Troy division of Rensselaer county and saw active service in thirteen skirmishes and battles. These included the battles of Cold Harbor and Petersburg. In the latter he received a severe wound at five o'clock in the afternoon, and such was the stress of

battle that it was not dressed until four o'clock the following morning. He was cared for in various hospitals of the Union Army until January 6, 1865, when he received his honorable discharge from the service. A part of his jaw and four teeth were shot away, and even after these months he was considered physically disabled. For three months, February, March and April, 1862, his regiment was stationed at Washington, District of Columbia, on guard duty and much of this time Mr. Zeiser was in guard at the White House. Upon his return to civilian life Mr. Zeiser entered the retail meat business, opening a market in the section then known as Port Schuyler, and carrying on a prosperous and steadily growing business interest. With a far-sighted vision of the future he comprehended the possibilities in the wholesaling of meat, and in 1883, establishing his headquarters at No. 27 River street, Troy, he began operations in this field. The idea was practically a new one in the East but Mr. Zeiser went forward on a sound and progressive business basis, and before many years had passed he stood at the head of a great and far-reaching enterprise which was rated among the largely successful concerns of the day. For thirty-two and a half years he was consignee for Armour & Company, 1883-1915, and since that time has been engaged in the same line of business activity as an independent dealer. He has continued in the wholesale distribution of meat and packing house products exclusively, and although he has now passed four-score years, his mental faculties are keen and alert as a man many years his junior, and he makes it his daily custom to devote the regular business hours to his commercial interests. On December 13, 1922, he celebrated his eighty-first birthday, receiving congratulations from his many friends and business contemporaries. Mr. Zeiser is counted a good citizen of his adopted country, and although he holds advanced convictions on political and social affairs, his sincerity is unquestioned and his utterances are received with respect. He is widely known as a writer on Socialistic topics, and for many years has been one of the leading figures in the Socialist party in Rensselaer county, having been repeatedly the candidate for mayor of Troy on this ticket. His "Socialistic Bible" is a forcefully worded, outspoken document, setting forth his political and economic beliefs in a direct courageous manner.

Dagobert Zeiser married Josephine Rhinehart, who was also born in Germany, and who died January 6, 1912. Their children number fifteen: 1. Albert, educated in the Troy public schools and the La Salle Institute. He married Kathrine Moore and has three children: Loretta, Marie, and Karl. 2. Caroline, educated in the Troy public schools, whose husband is deceased. Their only daughter, Raynor, being the wife of John Fisher, and the mother of one child, Georgette. 3. John J., educated in the Troy public schools and the La Salle Institute, who married Elizabeth Karr, and has one child, Ralph, who married Helen Egan. 4. Joseph, who died in infancy. 5. Mary, educated in the public schools of Troy and the Troy High School. She married Dr. W. G. Hague, and has four children: Margaret, now the wife of R. Bisland; Muriel, wife of

Dr. William Wood; William G., Jr., who served in the World War; and Ruth, deceased. 6. Dr. Charles, educated in the Troy public and high schools received the degree of Bachelor of Physics from the Albany Medical School, and Doctor of Medicine from Columbia University. He died March 23, 1905, leaving a wife, Jacqueline (Borgmeyer) Zeiser, and three children: Karl, a veteran of the World War, now a student at Yale University; Louis; and Jacqueline. 7. Joseph, educated in the public and high schools of Troy, a prominent member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, who married Mildred Sanford. 8. Anna, educated in the public and high schools of Troy, who became the wife of John Cornick, and died June 17, 1917, leaving six children: Harold, who married Mary Comstock, and has one child, June; Howard, who married May Shafer; Leo; Gladys, Karl and Ruth. 9. Frederick, educated in the Troy public schools, Troy Academy, and La Salle Institute. He married Sarah Boyle, and has one child, Marjory. 10. Frank, who died in infancy. 11. Agnes, educated in the Troy public schools and St. Lawrence Academy, now the wife of John Carr. 12. Rudolph, educated in the Troy public schools and Troy Business College, married Teresa Kane. 13. Josephine, educated in the Troy public and high schools and Troy Academy. 14. D. Leo, educated in the public schools and Troy Academy, married Fannie Steinard. 15. Pauline, educated in the Troy public and high schools, and is the wife of Frederick Crowley.

CHARLES A. GOEROLD was appointed to the police force of the city of Troy, New York, in 1892, and since that year his service has been continuous. During those three decades of service, he has compiled a splendid record of efficiency and devotion to duty that has won him the highest honor the department can bestow—chief—and in reaching that high place, he has held all intermediate ranks. He is a son of Ernest and Amelia (Wolf) Goerold, who came from Germany to the United States when their son, Charles, was ten years of age, Troy, New York, becoming the family home.

Charles A. Goerold was born in the Province of Saxony, Germany, October 25, 1862, and there spent the first ten years of his life. In 1872 he came with his parents to Troy and there attended the old "Gale" School, in the second ward. After school years he learned the barber's trade, which he followed until 1892, when he passed the examination for admission to the Troy police force and the same year was appointed patrolman. His rise in rank soon began and in April, 1898, he was made acting sergeant. In October, 1904, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and in February, 1912, he was appointed by Mayor Cornelius F. Burns, chief of police, his present position. He has won every promotion on merit and holds the respect of all men, both superiors in office and the men over whom he holds official control.

In earlier years, Chief Goerold was instructor in athletics in Troy Turn Verein, North Troy; Young Men's Christian Association, and St. Peter's Lyceum, where he trained a famous basketball team that toured

the East under the name of the "All-American Basketball Team." Later day recreations still include athletic sports, but hunting and fishing, particularly appeal to him. Chief Goerold is a member of the Ancient Order of Douito and has served as State noble grand; Van Rensselaer Lodge, Woodmen of the World; Exempt Firemen, Essex Bussey Steamer Company, No. 8; Treasurer of German Hall Association; the German Club; and of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Chief Goerold married, June 3, 1885, Carrie Fischer, of Troy, and they are the parents of five children: 1. Ernest, educated in Troy public schools, is now a moulder, residing in Troy. He married Olga Kihn, and they have three children: Margaret, Charles and Dorothy. 2. Mary, educated in Troy public schools, grade and high. She married Robert Follett, and they are the parents of Robert Follett (2). 3. Charles, educated in Troy public schools. 4. Margaret, educated in Troy public schools, grade and high, married Joseph S. Shabhetl, and they have a daughter, Margaret, and a son, Joseph (2). 5. Walter W., educated in Troy public schools, now in the automobile business for himself. In 1916 he was a regular enlisted soldier in the 6th Regiment Field Artillery, United States Army. In 1917 this was one of the first units of the American Expeditionary Forces sent overseas and three months after reaching France they were sent into the battle sectors as the 1st Division of the American Expeditionary Forces, and with his unit, Walter Goerold saw hard, arduous and dangerous service. He returned to the United States in 1921, was honorably discharged, and returned to Troy.

For more than three decades, March 26, 1892, to June, 1923, Chief Goerold has been a member of the Troy police force and has a record of never having been brought before his superiors, on charges. As chief, he has a record for service in that position, never surpassed. While he had always been recognized as an efficient leader, it was during the trolley strike of 1921 that the true spirit of the men was shown. There were 1,400 men on strike and all of them had their friends. But when the order came to protect the cars that the company had announced they would run with non-union crews, Chief Goerold rode upon the front platform of the first car that went out of the barns, and remained in that dangerous position sometimes eighteen to twenty-four hours daily, until all danger was passed, a period of nearly two months. That was his conception of duty, and even his foes were forced to applaud his bravery and determination to do his duty.

HOWARD V. AKIN—As telegraph operator, professional baseball player, and as the manager of a business of his own, Howard V. Akin, of Johnsonville, New York, has had a varied and interesting career. At present he is the owner of a prosperous garage and auto supply station in Johnsonville, and as sales agent for the Ford products he has built up a large and lucrative patronage.

Valdey E. Akin, father of Howard V. Akin, was born in Johnson-

ville, in 1843, and spent practically his entire life in that city. He was one of the skillful agriculturists of his county, and both he and his parents were widely known and highly esteemed. He was a son of Justus, who served as a colonel in the War of 1812, and of Mary (Eycleshymer) Akin, who lived to be a little more than ninety-three years of age. Valdey E. Akin married Julia E. Nutting, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Griffin) Nutting, and they were the parents of two sons: Rullie E., who died in 1904, at the age of sixteen years; and Howard V., the subject of this sketch.

Howard V. Akin was born in Johnsonville, Rensselaer county, New York, January 21, 1886, and received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district. He then became a student in the Kansas State Agricultural College. When his agricultural training was completed he did not engage in agriculture however, but instead he became a telegraph operator in the employ of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company. That connection he maintained for a period of seven years. In the meantime he had become interested in baseball and became a professional player, holding the position of pitcher for the Virginian League. That position he continued to hold until 1909, when he returned to Johnsonville and engaged in business for himself as the proprietor of a modern, well-equipped garage and supply station. In addition to the regular business of supplying the needs and selling the accessories of automobiles, he is agent for all the Ford products, and has built up a very large sales business. He employs the best of mechanics and those who go to him for repairs for cars have found that first-class service is to be had at the Akin garage. His patronage is not limited to Johnsonville and owners of Ford automobiles throughout the county are among his patrons. Mr. Akin gives his support to the Republican party, but does not take an active part in its affairs. He is well-known in fraternal circles, being a member of Johnsonville Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Victor Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Raymond Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bloss Council, Royal and Select Masters; Apollo Commandery, and Knight Templars of Troy. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church.

Howard V. Akin married, at Stillwater, New York, March 5, 1913, Pheobe Haight, daughter of Silas E. and Etta (VanDeusen-Phelps) Haight. Mr. and Mrs. Akin are the parents of two children: Ames Elva, who was born in Johnsonville, September 30, 1914; and Jane Pheobe, who was born August 20, 1918.

LEROY GREENALCH, one of the notably successful civil engineers of Rensselaer county, has for thirteen years been successfully engaged in important construction work in New York State. He is a recognized authority on concrete bridge construction, and has rendered valuable service in public engineering work.

Mr. Greenalch was born in Rensselaer, New York, June 7, 1888, and is the son of Frank Greenalch, of that place, and of Sarah M. (Robbins)

Greenalch. He received his early education in the public schools of his native district and then became a student in Troy Academy, from which he was graduated in 1905. He then entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the class of 1910, taking the course of civil engineering. In that same year he entered the employ of the State of New York in the capacity of civil engineer, and that connection he maintained until 1920. He was then appointed commissioner of public works and city engineer of the city of Rensselaer and the duties of that responsible position he continued to efficiently discharge until January 1, 1923. The latter position Mr. Greenalch had already held for a period of seven years, from 1910 to 1917, performing the duties of that office in connection with his work in the office of engineer. He is recognized as an authority on the building of concrete bridges, and many of the finest structures of this kind in the State were built by him. Among these may be mentioned the entrance to the bridge that crosses the Hudson river to Albany, which was designed by Mr. Greenalch.

Politically he gives his support to the Republican party, and it was during a Republican administration that he was appointed to the local offices of city engineer and commissioner of public works as already mentioned. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War, Mr. Greenalch enlisted in the United States Navy, May 4, 1918, and was assigned to duty on the United States ship "Sagamore," upon which he made several trips to France. He was discharged, September 30, 1921, with the rank of ensign. He is well-known in Masonic circles, being a member of Greenbush Lodge, No. 337, Free and Accepted Masons; of Greenbush Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Temple Commandery, Knights Templar; Cyprus Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Albany Society of Civil Engineers; and of Fort Cralo Post, American Legion. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church of Rensselaer, New York. Mr. Greenalch resides at No. 1345 Third street, Rensselaer, New York.

EDWIN MANCHESTER—With the exception of a period of upward of twenty years Mr. Manchester, who is now deceased, was a resident of the neighborhood of Petersburg, where he was born November 8, 1849, on the old homestead. He was a son of Asiel and Angeline (Brimmer) Manchester, the latter's father was one of the old-time farmers of Rensselaer county.

The education of Edwin Manchester was received in local schools and until the age of twenty he assisted his father in the care of the farm. Then, however, he "went West," his objective point being Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he was employed at the Institute for the Insane. In 1892 he returned to the homestead and spent the remaining years of his life—a period of thirty years— in the cultivation of his ancestral acres.

In politics Mr. Manchester was a Democrat, and in the course of years, held several offices in the gift of his township. He affiliated with

Star Lodge, No. 670, Free and Accepted Masons, of Petersburg, and at the time of his death was one of its oldest members. He was a member of the Petersburg Baptist Church, serving on its board of trustees, and as one of its deacons.

Mr. Manchester married (first), at Petersburg, May Nichols, and they became the parents of two daughters: Myrtle, and Mabel. Mr. Manchester married (second), March 9, 1892, at Marlborough, Ulster county, New York, Mary E. Burgess, daughter of Sayers and Leva (Eggleston) Burgess. The following children were born to them: Burgess, born May 17, 1893; Ida, born November 11, 1894; Victor, born June 21, 1896; Miles, born November 6, 1899; and Leroy, born June 15, 1901. On May 4, 1920, Mr. Manchester passed away, highly respected by his entire community and deeply mourned by a large circle of warmly attached friends.

JOHN KELLY, of No. 225 Fifteenth street, Troy, New York, has the distinction of being the first employee of the Troy Union railroad to be retired with a pension. His long and faithful service of fifty years has thus brought recognition in a form which will be of service to others who follow him in the years to come, as the pension granted to Mr. Kelly establishes a precedent which will doubtless be followed in the future.

Mr. Kelly was born in County Meade, Ireland, May 11, 1844, son of Michael and Mary (Dailey) Kelly, both of whom died while Mr. Kelly was a child. When he was eleven years of age he was brought to this country by his grandparents, who settled in Jonesville, Saratoga county, New York. The lad attended the public schools of Jonesville and worked on a farm near there. After the outbreak of the Civil War, early in 1863, he enlisted in Company F, Thirteenth New York Artillery, and served to the end of the conflict, receiving his honorable discharge, August 15, 1865. The fact that he was a minor prevented his enlisting earlier, but he took part in the battles of Fort Fisher and in many skirmishes. Soon after the close of the war he came to Troy, New York, and entered the employ of the Troy Union Railroad Company, which connection he maintained to the time of his retirement, a period of half a century. He began as police officer and was promoted to the position of station-master for the railroad company, November 1, 1880, which position he held at the time of his retirement. Mr. Kelly is a member of Willard Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Troy, New York; and his religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

On June 8, 1868, John Kelly married Mary Gorman, a native of Troy, daughter of John and Mary (Shaw) Gorman, and they are the parents of three children: Mary Alice, who is engaged in teaching in the public schools of Troy; William, who is in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson railroad; and Sarah Agnes, engaged in teaching in the public schools of Troy.

FREDERICK CLEMENT CASEY—One of the foremost figures in the city of Troy to-day is Frederick Clement Casey, a contractor of wide note, public servant and progressive citizen. Mr. Casey is a member of one of the most prominent families of Troy, and is a son of Philip and Elizabeth (Connery) Casey, both now deceased. Philip Casey was born in Ireland, and came to Troy as a young man, becoming one of the leading business men of this city and one of the most esteemed Irish-Americans in this section. They were the parents of nine children, those besides the subject of this sketch being: Timothy, who died in 1901; John J., who died in 1917, and who had been alderman from the Eleventh Ward for twenty-seven years; William, who died in 1921; Cornelius A., who is the present chief of the Troy Fire Department, a review of whose life appears elsewhere in this work; Philip, Jr.; Nellie M.; Elizabeth; and Alice.

Frederick Clement Casey was born in Troy, New York, May 8, 1883. His education was begun at Public School No. 10 and completed at La Salle Institute. At the age of fifteen years he began his career, learning the trade of mason. Mr. Casey has been working ever since, giving to the activities of a broadly useful life the tireless energy and the practical ability which have made his name one of great significance to the people. At the time of his brother Timothy's death, in 1901, he formed the contracting firm of Casey Brothers, which include, besides himself, Cornelius Jr., Philip, Jr., William, now deceased, John J., also now deceased. This concern has been one of the most active and best known in the contracting field in Rensselaer county, and they have done some of the most important work in this section. Some of their noteworthy contracts include St. Lawrence School, St. Bridget's Hall and Club, St. Cecelia's Home, Albia Car barns, Lansing Theatre, American Theatre, Lincoln Theatre, Palace Theatre, Whitehall High School, Burns Brothers' undertaking parlors, the Chapel, and so forth. Their work also includes the Court House Annex and many fine residences. He frequently has as many as 150 men at work.

Always deeply interested in community and public advance, Mr. Casey has supported the Democratic party since becoming of age, and as a worker in the ranks of the party he has done much for its advance. The exactions of his business interest, however, have largely precluded his accepting public responsibilities, but upon the death of his brother, John J. Casey, which occurred in 1917, he accepted the appointment to fill out his brother's unexpired term as alderman. In the fall of the same year he was elected for the subsequent term and continued reëlections have retained him as a member of the aldermanic body. His work in this connection has been and is of the deepest significance to the city. Early in 1918 he was made floor leader of the board and has served thus ever since. He is also chairman of the most important committees, including Public Works and Finance. His interest in the local fire department has always been equally keen, and for many years he was a member of the Troy Volunteer Firemen's Association and is also a mem-

ber of the Exempt Firemen's Association, having served for eight years. He is a leading member of Troy Council, Knights of Columbus, of which he is Past Grand, and is interested in various outdoor sports, including motoring and baseball. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and he is a member of St. Vincent De Paul and Holy Name societies of that church.

Mr. Casey married, October 18, 1911, Mary Agnes Sheehan, of Troy, daughter of Michael and Bridget (Reagan) Sheehan, both now living. Mr. and Mrs. Casey are the parents of three children: Mary Alice and Philip, both now in Public School No. 10; and Helen, in kindergarten.

WILLIAM BAILEY, JR., a conductor on the Boston & Albany railroad for the past fifteen years, and at present holding office as alderman of the city, is an influential member of the community. He was born at Rensselaer, New York, March 4, 1884, son of William and Lillian Bailey. His father was one of the earliest citizens of Rensselaer and was a pioneer in the development of the city, playing an important part in the introduction of many improvements and the general progress of the community.

Mr. Bailey received his education in the public schools of his native city. Acquainted from his earliest youth with some of the importance of railroad work, its long history and the great part it played in the settling of the West laid hold upon his imagination and he determined to enter the service of the Boston & Albany as soon as his education was completed. He carried this resolve into effect upon the completion of his studies and he has never found any occasion to regret his choice of railroading as a life occupation. He has held many positions of varying importance and by careful study and close observation has acquired a thorough knowledge of the various branches of railroad work. In 1907 he was appointed a conductor and this position he has held ever since, becoming known to scores of regular passengers on the line as one of the most capable and energetic men in the railroad's service.

In politics Mr. Bailey is a Republican. In 1922 he was elected alderman, an office he now holds, his term not expiring until 1924. Mr. Bailey is president of the Railway Conductors' Association, and serves as chairman of the executive board of this organization. A far-sighted and public-spirited citizen, he takes the greatest interest in all local political issues and in the problems of business and industry. He is a firm supporter of constructive legislation and takes an especial interest in efforts to promote and extend the work of the railroads, to increase their safety by the introduction of new and improved devices for signalling and control, and to render railroad work more attractive by better working conditions for all classes of workers. In religious faith Mr. Bailey is a member of the Methodist church, and takes an active part in the works undertaken by the congregation.

Mr. Bailey married, at Rensselaer, on May 12, 1908, Florence Becker, daughter of Henry and Lena Becker. Mr. and Mrs. Becker have two

children: Hazel, who was born November 16, 1909; and Frank, who was born November 9, 1912.

THOMAS P. KEMMY, a car inspector for the New York Central railroad, is a native son of Rensselaer. He was born in that city, August 11, 1894, son of Patrick and Bridget (Keenan) Kemmy. His parents, both of whom are descendants of Irish families that settled in New York State in the early days, have long been identified with the business and social life of Rensselaer.

Mr. Kemmy received his education at St. John's Academy. Immediately after his graduation he entered the service of the New York Central railroad. He had long had a desire to become associated with railroad work and had spent a great deal of his spare time around the railroad station, offices, and workshops, acquiring in this manner an excellent knowledge of railroading even before he left school. He had a natural ability and taste for mechanical work and his knowledge of equipment and rolling stock was increased to a great extent during the early part of his association with the New York Central. In the course of time, his skill and fidelity to the company's interest brought him recognition and he was appointed to the important post of car inspector at Rensselaer. This position Mr. Kemmy now holds, and his services are deeply appreciated by the officers and employes of the railroad, with all of whom his relations are of the most friendly and agreeable nature.

In politics Mr. Kemmy is a Democrat. He is a resident of the Third Ward, and takes an active part in all local political affairs. He belongs to the Rensselaer lodge of the Knights of Columbus, and takes a great interest in the work of this organization, attending its meetings regularly. In religious faith he is a Catholic, and belongs to the parish of St. John's Church.

Mr. Kemmy married, at Rensselaer, on June 25, 1919, Helen H. Howard, daughter of John J. and Nora (O'Neil) Howard. Mr. and Mrs. Kemmy have two little daughters: Helen, who was born October 21, 1920, and who is named for her mother; and Dorothy, born February 19, 1922.

FRANK ANTHONY MANCINI—Some years prior to 1902 John Mancini, an Italian, left his native land and came to the United States, finding employment and a home in Schenectady, New York, in the Mohawk Valley. He left his wife, Angelina (Zannito) Mancini, and son, Frank Anthony, in Italy, but in 1902 sent for them to join him, and on March 19th, of that year, they arrived in New York City, proceeding at once to Schenectady. The boy, Frank Anthony Mancini, was then sixteen years of age, his birth date August 13, 1886. He had attended Italian schools, but early became a worker, and in Schenectady learned the barber's trade. Later, however, he entered the employ of the General Electric Company, working in the cable department of the works at Schenectady. He was next employed by the firm of Greason & Benard,

undertakers, of Schenectady, and remained with them until becoming thoroughly familiar with that business. While with that firm he took the courses at the Renaurd School of Embalming, New York City, receiving a diploma testifying to his expertness as an embalmer.

On April 27, 1911, Mr. Mancini located in Troy, New York, and opened an undertaking establishment at No. 211 Fourth street, where he continues in business. A worker from boyhood, Mr. Mancini has always worked intelligently and toward a definite object, his ambition to succeed being as strong as his ability to work unceasingly to accomplish his desires. He has won his own way in the world through industry, and is proud of the fact that he is a worker and the son of working people. He has, in addition to his well-equipped undertaking establishment, a small private foreign exchange and steamship agency, and deals in all kinds of foreign money exchange and steamship tickets, representing the Italia-America Shipping Corporation, at No. 1 State street; Transatlantica Italiana, No. 5 State street; Lloyd Sabaudo, No. 3, State street; Fabre Line (James W. Elwell Company), 17 State street; the Cunard Steamship Company, Ltd., No. 25 Broadway; White Star Line, No. 1 Broadway, all of New York City. He has succeeded in his undertakings, and is a man of influence in the circle in which he moves.

Mr. Mancini is a member of The Sons of Italy; Columbus Social Club; Premier Lodge, No. 20, Knights of Pythias; the Order of Owls, of Troy, New York; and a communicant of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Mancini married, September 4, 1911, Nellie Cristiano, born in Italy, but a resident of the United States since her thirteenth year. Mr. and Mrs. Mancini are the parents of three children: Angeline, John, and Vincent.

THOMAS E. NIELSEN—A native of Denmark, Mr. Nielsen was brought to America by his parents at the age of one year and has resided in Troy, New York, since. At present he is one of this city's practicing chiropractors, and is enjoying success in his chosen profession. His parents were Thomas and Amelia Nielsen.

Thomas E. Nielsen was born October 7, 1887, and upon reaching school age attended the public schools of Troy for a time. At a comparatively early age he essayed to support himself by learning the printer's trade, working at that for a number of years. Then he decided to become a chiropractor, and to this end entered the Universal Chiropractic School of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1922. In March of the same year he started to practice in this city, and now has an office at his home, No. 522 Second avenue, and another downtown, at No. 30 Second street, his days at the latter office being Wednesday and Friday.

Mr. Nielsen is a member of the New York State Chiropractors' Association; Lansingburg Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Danish

Society of Troy; and Upsilon Chi Beta fraternity. When he has leisure for indulging in sports, he enjoys hunting, fishing, golf and touring.

Mr. Nielsen married Annie Marie Rasmussen, a native of Troy, but living in Melrose Park prior to her marriage, and a daughter of Christian H. and Anna (Johnson) Rasmussen. One child was born to them, Harry K.

VICTOR MICHAEL LOUDEN—As a member of the Troy Board of Aldermen, Victor M. Louden is becoming favorably known to the entire city of Troy, a city to which he first came in 1905. As clerk for six years in the Rensselaer Hotel he became widely known to the traveling public, and through his hotel and restaurant to the residents of that section of the city. But his work in the Board of Aldermen has given a city-wide acquaintanceship, and he has made many new friends since entering that body.

Victor M. Louden was born in Westport, County Mayo, Ireland, April 29, 1882, son of John James and Erina M. (Gibbons) Louden, his father a talented barrister of Dublin, Ireland, who died in January, 1923. There were twenty-two children in the Louden family including Victor M., but he was given good educational advantages, being a student at Trinity College, Dublin, until leaving to enter commercial life. In 1904, at the age of twenty-two, he came to the United States, spending a year in New York City, and in 1905 locating in Troy, New York. He was first employed as an oil salesman, then for six years was clerk in the Rensselaer Hotel, Troy, resigning to engage in the restaurant business on his own account at No. 65 Fourth Street, Troy. He continued the restaurant five years, from 1913 to 1918, then became proprietor of his present restaurant at No. 51 Fourth Street, and there he conducts a prosperous business. In politics Mr. Louden has been identified with the Democratic party in Troy since 1912, and in 1919 he was the candidate of his party for alderman, in a Republican ward, and although defeated he reduced the normal Republican majority one-half. In 1921 he was again the candidate of his party and was elected, and in 1923 was re-elected alderman. He is chairman of the lamp and civil service committees in the present Board of Aldermen, and is a progressive, public-spirited representative of the people's interests. During the World War he was on the Third and Fourth Wards' Soldiers' Welfare League, and also served on all the committees in connection with the War Savings Stamps and the War Bonds. Previous to this he had served with the British forces in the Boer War, being a member of the 176th Company, Imperial Yeomanry, Lord Longford's Irish Horse. Mr. Louden is a member of Troy Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; Ancient Order of Hibernians, No. 2; Troy Chamber of Commerce; and St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church. He is a lover of the out-of-door sports, and hunts, fishes, rows, and walks with zest and vigor.

Mr. Louden married, in Troy, New York, January 20, 1918 Helen V. Seitz, daughter of Frank V. and Caroline (Leffler) Seitz. Mr. and Mrs. Louden are the parents of three children: Edmund Francis, Victor Joseph, and Carolyne Erina.

WILLIAM CROWLEY—For many years the late William Crowley was a familiar figure in the city of Troy, where throughout the entire period of his long active career he was engaged in business for himself. From 1868 to the time of his death in 1903, he was engaged in buying and selling real property and was recognized as an expert in that field. He was held in high esteem by a host of friends in Troy and vicinity, and his death caused deep regret among his associates.

William Crowley was born in Ireland, in 1826, and died in Troy, New York, in August, 1903. When he was six years of age he was brought to this country by his parents, who settled in Troy, New York. The school system was not yet established in Troy in 1832, and the lad secured his education as best he could, from his associates, by private tutoring, and by seizing whatever opportunity came his way. He learned the harness maker's trade and at an early age began his independent career as a harness maker, engaging in business for himself in a small way. After several years of activity in this line he added to his harness-making enterprise the conduct of a livery stable, and the two branches of a prosperous business he continued to develop until 1868. In that year he sold both the livery stable and his harness manufactory and engaged in the real estate business. His keen appreciation of both present and prospective real estate values, as well as his wide acquaintance with the residents of Troy and vicinity, brought him steadily increasing patronage, and long before the end of his career he was recognized as an expert in the real estate field.

During the period of the Civil War he manufactured equipment for the United States Government, making harness, bridles, saddles, etc. With his first government contract he was given instructions to raise the standard of work in his line done for the government, and the obligations of that trust he met with courage and ability. He gave to the government a quality of work which later became the standard for the army equipment. Mr. Crowley had a host of friends in Troy who esteemed him not only for his business ability and for his sound business principles, but because of personal qualities which won for him the affection of those who knew him best and because of sterling qualities of character which won the respect of all his associates. He was a member of St. Francis Roman Catholic Church.

William Crowley married in 1866, Jennie Leonard, who died in 1904, daughter of James Leonard, and they were the parents of seven children: William Leonard, who resides in Chicago; Walter T., of Troy, New York; James A., of Troy; Alonzo J., whose sketch follows; George W., deceased; Emma A., who married Eugene McLean, of Troy; and Florence L., who married Eugene Scallen, of Kansas City.

ALONZO JAMES CROWLEY—The real estate business established by the late William Crowley, of Troy, whose sketch precedes this, is being maintained and further developed by his son, Alonzo James Crowley, who has added to the enterprise a prosperous insurance business.

Born in Troy, New York, July 25, 1877, Alonzo James Crowley is a

son of William and Jennie (Leonard) Crowley. After attending the local public schools, he completed his preparation for an active career by becoming a student in Troy Academy, from which he was graduated in 1898. Upon the completion of his academic course he became associated with his father in the real estate business, and after a time added to the enterprise a general line of insurance. He became a skillful realtor, and after the death of his father in 1903, he took over the entire business, both real estate and insurance, although he had been in active business life but five years. His energy and enthusiasm as well as his ability became important factors in the steady and rapid progress of the concern during the twenty years which have passed since that time. Mr. Crowley includes among his patrons many of the wealthiest citizens of Rensselaer county, and also many of the largest business concerns of the district. On the firm foundations which his father had laid he has built a business concern which is generally recognized as being one of the leading enterprises of its kind in Rensselaer county. Mr. Crowley's sound business methods, as well as his wide experience in the real estate and insurance business have won for him the confidence of his many patrons, and his many satisfied customers are steadily bringing to him new business. Mr. Crowley has always taken an active interest in the advancement of the public welfare of the city of Troy, and served for nine years as a member of the Troy Citizen's Corporation. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart.

Alonzo James Crowley married, on April 19, 1910, Frances Sutherland, of Troy, daughter of Charles and Jane (McLean)Sutherland, and they are the parents of three children: Eugene Sutherland, who was born in March, 1911; John, born in June, 1915; and Carolyn, born in March, 1919.

J. KEENAN DOWLING, in his particular professional field, in the city of Troy, New York, is very successful and a well known member of pediatric societies. He is a son of Thomas P. and Mary (Keenan) Dowling, the latter still living. The father was owner of a laundry, and at his death, in 1919, left a considerable estate.

J. Keenan Dowling was born October 22, 1886, at Troy, New York, and educated in Mrs. Hamlin's Private School, La Salle Institute, Troy Academy, and Troy High School. Later he entered the first institution of its kind, Institute of Podistry, in New York City, and graduated in 1916 with the degree of Master of Pediatrics. He was then assigned as house pediatrist to the hospital for deformities and joint diseases, and while there the trouble with Mexico developed and he enlisted in the 69th Volunteer Regiment of New York, and was sent to the Mexican border in March, returning in October, 1916. He had been transferred before returning home, to the 2nd Regiment. From that time until March, 1917, he practiced his profession in Troy, but when the United States entered the World War he reënlisted in the 2nd Regiment, New York Volunteers, and some time later was assigned to detached duty at Pelham Bay, New York. Still later he was transferred to Spar-

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tansburg, South Carolina, with the 105th Regiment, and examined the entire personnel of the 2nd and 105th Regiments. Taken ill with influenza, he was discharged December, 1918, and resumed his practice in Troy, January 1, 1918. For three years he was engaged as anæsthesist in the Leonard Hospital, Troy.

He is affiliated with the New York State Pediatric Society; National Pediatric Society; Rensselaer County Pediatric Society; Knights of Columbus, and is a communicant in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. He is an exempt fireman in this city, having served as volunteer fireman for twelve years. In order to secure needed recreational benefits he spends his summers as a professional life guard at Asbury Park, New Jersey.

Mr. Dowling was united in marriage, June 2, 1919, with Kathryn Dooley, of Troy, New York, and to this union were born two children: James, and Tom.

EUGENE FELLNER HULL, M. D.—Among those who gave their lives in the service of their country during the World War is Dr. Eugene Fellner Hull, who, after fighting the "flu" night and day for several weeks, and saving many lives in the camp at Little Rock, Arkansas, contracted pneumonia and died there. He had been ordered to France, and would have sailed October 15, 1918, but had been ordered to remain at the camp because of the need of physicians to combat the "flu" epidemic.

Eugene Fellner Hull was born October 4, 1888, near the town of Berlin, New York, on what is now known as the lower Whitney farm, son of Alson J. Hull, who was at one time supervisor of Berlin, and was several times elected superintendent of highways of Rensselaer county, and of Lillian (Allen) Hull. His education was received in various schools, beginning in the public schools of Berlin, and of Boston, Massachusetts. Later he was a student in the Williamstown High School and finally graduated from the Berlin High School in 1909. Upon the completion of his high school course he matriculated in Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1913 with the degree Doctor of Medicine. He then served an interneship in Mercy Hospital, at Schenectady, New York. He then began practice in West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, where he remained until the entrance of the United States into the World War. In June, 1918, he enlisted for service and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the United States army. On September 1, 1918, he was sent to Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he was assigned to Company 26, Battalion 7, of the medical officers' training camp, where he was appointed first lieutenant of his company in training. He received orders to sail with his company for France, October 15, 1918, but in the meantime the need of physicians to combat the epidemic in the cantonment in Little Rock, Arkansas, became so great that the order was withdrawn and the remainder of his life was spent fighting for the lives of his comrades in camp. Weakened by hard work and long hours at the bedside of his sick comrades, he contracted a severe case of pneumonia which proved fatal, his

death occurring October 18, 1918. West Stockbridge people speak in highest terms of Dr. Hull, both as a physician, a citizen and a soldier. After his death, when West Stockbridge citizens made their contribution to the United War Fund, they named their fund the Dr. Hull fund as a slight token of their appreciation of the devoted service rendered by Dr. Hull. The Dr. Hull fund was the first to be raised in Berkshire for united war work, and the citizens of that town had the quota subscribed on the very first day of the drive. Dr. Hull always took an active part in all the affairs of the groups with which he was connected. During his student days he was a member of the Senior Banquet Committee of the Albany Medical College in 1913, and also of the Union track team in 1911. He contributed his share to the common welfare by serving as health officer of West Stockbridge for a period of four years, and by rendering efficient service as a member of the school board of West Stockbridge. Fraternally he was a member of Star Lodge, No. 670, of Petersburg, New York; and of Beta Chapter, of the Phi Sigma Kappa college fraternity. Dr. Hull's family were members of the Baptist church of Berlin, and he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Boston, Massachusetts. There are many in West Stockbridge, in Albany, and scattered throughout the country, who will long remember the kind, efficient, and devoted services of Dr. Hull. Many of those who were in camp at Little Rock owe to his efficiency and devotion their lives, and many of those who were not themselves needing his services remember with deep gratitude and admiration the quality of his weeks of work there. Though he did not live to engage in actual conflict on the front lines, he most truly gave his life in active service behind the front lines where his skill was most needed.

On June 14, 1914, at Berlin, New York, Dr. Eugene Fellner Hull married Nellie Tilley, daughter of Merritt Elmore and Caroline E. (Snyder) Tilley. Dr. and Mrs. Hull were the parents of one son, Eugene Fellner Hull, Jr., who was born December 30, 1915.

FRED STRAIT—A member of an old New York family, Mr. Strait traces his ancestry to a still older New Jersey family which was founded by Abram (or Abraham) Strait, who came from Holland, with his wife, five sons and one daughter, and settled in Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, about 1750. Among these sons was Abraham (2), who settled at Canisteer, then called Winchester, Sussex county, New Jersey. He purchased a large amount of real estate and built the first frame house and the second forge in Canisteer, about 1780. He married Charlotte Comer, who was born at sea, and they were the parents of fifteen children, eight of whom, David A., William C., John, Abraham (3), Eliza, Charlotte, Catherine, and Jane, settled in or near Canisteer; while one son, Stephen, settled in Ohio, and another, John, went to Tennessee. One daughter, Lucinda, married Paul Farber, and went to Ohio in 1830, and another daughter, name unknown, married James Paddock, and lived at Cherry Ridge, New Jersey. Two others settled at Milton, New Jersey. Jacob, the youngest of the family was born in 1740, settled in Beattystown, near the dividing line of Morris and Sussex

counties, where he died November 18, 1792, survived by his wife, who married (second) Aaron Bedford, of Stockholm, New Jersey, married (third) ——— Davenport, and died February 1, 1803. He married, June 16, 1774, Abigail Gould, who came from Holland, and they were the parents of six children, one of whom settled in Elmira, New Jersey, and another, Moses Dow Strait, settled in Chemung county, New York. Descendants of others of the family also removed to New York State, and at the present time the Strait family is found scattered throughout the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Georgia, all, so far as research revealed, tracing their ancestry to Abraham Strait, pioneer immigrant, of Morris county, New Jersey.

Lorenzo Strait, father of Fred Strait, in early life acquired the trade of a blacksmith and, although he has not followed the occupation of smithing exclusively, being the owner and proprietor of a New York farm, he has always kept a shop and practiced his trade with the enthusiasm of a master workman. From him Mr. Strait inherited a high degree of mechanical ability. He married Alletia Littlefield, and they are the parents of eight children, Mr. Strait's brother and sisters being: Melford, Lula, Winifred, Jessie, Grace, Abigail, and Fidella, all of whom are still living.

Mr. Strait was born at Poestenkill, New York, February 3, 1894, and received his education in the public schools of Petersburg, New York, and at the Berlin High School. After his graduation from high school he proceeded to Hoosick Academy, where he completed his scholastic training. He had long been determined to acquire a trade and upon leaving Hoosick Academy, he found an opening with the Manners Company, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he was received as an apprentice employee and given an opportunity of learning the trade of a mechanic in good circumstances and under expert guidance. In 1910 Mr. Strait entered the field of business as an independent garage owner at Berlin, New York. As an expert mechanic, he is able to offer motorists and car owners the highest kind of service in the repairing and overhauling of motors of all kinds, and the service station he maintains in connection with his garage is well and favorably known throughout this district. Occupying a favorable position in a region where many lines of motor travel meet, and being something of an authority on motors of every type, Mr. Strait has been very successful in the conduct of his business and has made many friends in the automobile world. He holds the sales agency for the Chevrolet motor car in this community and has made something of a record as a salesman for Chevrolet motors in Rensselaer county.

In politics Mr. Strait is a Democrat. He holds office at present as supervisor of elections, and is everywhere regarded as a progressive and public-spirited citizen. He belong to only one fraternal organization, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a guardian, holding membership in the Berlin lodge. In religious faith he is a member of the Lutheran church and takes the greatest interest in all the

religious and humanitarian undertakings of the congregation at Berlin, of which he is a member.

Mr. Strait married, at Berlin, on October 10, 1916, Alice Burdick, daughter of Elmer and Nellie (Jones) Burdick. Mr. and Mrs. Strait have two children: Dorothy, born December 24, 1917; and Lloyd, born January 5, 1919.

CHARLES H. RIFENBURG, for nearly a quarter of a century, has been a resident of Cropseyville, New York, and since 1905 he has been engaged in business there as a merchant. Since 1921 he has also been the owner of a store property at Eagle Mills.

Born at Grafton, New York, October 31, 1871, Mr. Rifenburg is a son of the late Louis M. and Mary F. (Bulson) Rifenburg. After receiving a careful preliminary education in the public schools of Grafton, he further prepared for an active career by taking a course in Troy Business College, where he completed his course with graduation. The death of his father had occurred when he was a lad of twelve years, and during the summer vacations, as well as before and after school, he had contributed to his support by doing whatever work he could find to do. Upon the completion of his commercial course he returned to Grafton and found employment in that town, but in 1899 he purchased a home in Cropseyville and removed to that community. In 1905 he and Joshua McChesney entered into partnership and purchased the general store at Cropseyville. The enterprise was successful, and as the business grew a branch store was established at Grafton Center, under the management of McChesney & Rifenburg. Both concerns continued to prosper, and in 1910 the partnership was dissolved, Mr. McChesney taking the Grafton store and Mr. Rifenburg keeping the one at Cropseyville, which he operates under the name of the Rifenburg General Store. In 1921 Mr. Rifenburg purchased the store property at Eagle Mills. A man of clear judgment and keen discernment he has fully demonstrated his business ability and is well known as one of the successful and enterprising citizens of the place.

In politics Mr. Rifenburg as a Republican. He is a vigorous upholder of Republican principles and policies, and his influence is always exerted on the side of progress and carried out in a logical and constructive manner. He takes a great interest in the development of the community in accordance with the best ideals of town planning and civic improvement, and few projects planned for the advancement of the general welfare fail to win his earnest support. Fraternally he is affiliated with the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is an ex-chaplain. In religious faith he is a Methodist. He is a trustee of the Methodist church at Cropseyville, which he serves as treasurer and superintendent of the Sunday school.

Charles H. Rifenburg married, at Cropseyville, December 26, 1904, Bessie L. Green, daughter of Franklin and Lydia (Graham) Green. Mr. and Mrs. Rifenburg are the parents of four children: Gladys Olive, Charles Earle, Ruth May, and Marion Louise, all of whom were born at Cropseyville.

JOSEPH CHARLES MALONE—When but a child Joseph C. Malone sold papers on the streets of Troy, not as a lark or to earn a little spending money, but to earn a living. From that day no man in his city has more steadily or more persistently stuck to his calling, vocation, trade or profession than he. He is now head of a prosperous business, has been a member of the governing body of the city of Troy, and has won the entire respect of his community. He has fully earned the success which he has attained and his many friends attest the goodness of his heart and the uprightness of his life.

Joseph C. Malone was born in Troy, New York, July 4, 1885, son of Charles and Anna (Meehan) Malone, his parents now deceased. He attended Public School No. 14, continuing until reaching fifteen years of age, but from early childhood he had sold papers on the streets, and when ten years old he had a certain number of city lights which he lit every evening for a small compensation. Later he was made overseer of a district and his pay was increased. At the age of fifteen he began learning the trade of a stereotyper in the office of the Troy "Record," there continuing until six years later but in the meantime had picked up considerable useful information concerning the undertaking business. He then left the "Record" and entered the employ of C. H. Cary, undertaker, and remained with him for eleven years, although at times he returned to the trade of stereotyping. In 1912 he entered business under his own name as funeral director and undertaker, opening a well equipped mortuary establishment at No. 243 Congress street, Troy, where he continues until the present time, 1923.

Mr. Malone is a man of energy and attends closely to his business, having few recreations. He is a member of St. Francis Roman Catholic Church, St. Francis' Catholic Welfare Association, Troy Council, Knights of Columbus; Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union, No. 28, of Albany, New York; honorary member of the Chauffeurs' Protective Association, and in politics is a Republican. In 1919 he was elected alderman of Troy and served during 1920-21. During his term he was chairman of the committees on elections, health, and charities, and served as a member of the committee on docks, bridges, ferries and sewers. He also served as a member of the special committee appointed by the Common Council to adjust the differences which caused and prolonged the railway strike of that period. In these offices and positions Mr. Malone has acted with good judgment and a public spirit which was highly creditable to him. He has been a worker from early boyhood, and duty committed to him is performed to the best of his ability, never shirked.

Mr. Malone married, November 23, 1905, Elizabeth Schoneman, of Albany, New York, daughter of William and Emma (Fuller) Schoneman.

DANIEL A. WHALEN, one of the younger members of the railroad community at Rensselaer, New York, is now serving his second term as alderman of the Fourth Ward. He was born at Rensselaer, August 31, 1896, son of Daniel A. and Catherine A. (Dumphry) Whalen. His parents have long been identified with the social and business life of Rensselaer, and enjoy a position of influence among their fellow citizens.

Mr. Whalen received his education in St. John's Academy Parochial School, of Rensselaer. Immediately upon the completion of his school course, he entered the service of the New York Central railroad. He had always had an ambition to become associated with the railroad, and the romance of railroad history and the great part played by the roads in the settlement and development of the United States had always made a strong appeal to him. He began his career as an employee of the company, therefore, with a desire to succeed and to make a name for himself in railroad circles. He found the work all that he had expected, and has served the company for ten years with remarkable fidelity and devotion, rising from earlier positions to that of air brake inspector, having been assigned to work in this capacity very early in his career. Although he is still young in years, Mr. Whalen through his interest and observation as well as experience has an unusual knowledge of railroading, and a wide grasp of the particular problems that rise day by day in the routine of an air brake inspector. His opinion on many of these problems is received with respect by men much older than himself, and his energy and progressive ideas have made him a valued member of the force of the New York Central on this division. During the World War Mr. Whalen served in the United States Navy, and he is also a member of Admiral Coughlin's Post, No. 36, Veterans of Foreign Wars. In his politics he is a Democrat, and has given much valuable civic service to his community. For twelve years he has been a member of the G. S. Mink and T. Claxton Hose Company No. 2, Volunteer Fire Department; he belongs to the Volunteer Fireman's Association of Rensselaer, New York, and has served as secretary of the two former for four years and was foreman of the same for two years. He was elected to the office of alderman of the Fourth Ward in 1920-1922, and served with such distinction that he was reëlected for a second term at the expiration of his first period of service, and continues in that office to-day (1923), taking an active part in all movements designed to promote the public welfare and to increase prosperity and to be of civic value. In his fraternal affiliation he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, belonging to the Rensselaer lodge of that order. In religious faith he is a Catholic and belongs to the parish of St. Joseph's Church, at Rensselaer.

Mr. Whalen married, on June 28, 1919, at Rensselaer, Eleanor J. Mitchell, daughter of Louis and Emmaline (Benson) Mitchell. Mr. and Mrs. Whalen are the parents of a daughter, Ruth, born October 21, 1923.

DR. STANTON PERRY HULL has identified himself with the various important phases of life in Petersburg, and is recognized as one of the aggressive men of the community. He is a native of Berlin, Rensselaer county, where he was born on September 13, 1886, son of Alson J. and Lillian (Allen) Hull, the latter's death occurring on October 9, 1921. Dr. Hull had three brothers: Dr. T. A. Hull, a physician of Troy, New York; Schuyler A. Hull, a business man of Berlin, New York; and the late Dr. Eugene F. Hull, who was a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army during the World War, and who died

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in camp at Little Rock, Arkansas, October 18, 1918. He also has one sister, Mildred, wife of Ensign William G. Craib, United States Navy.

Dr. Hull acquired his early education in the schools of his native community and took his medical degree at Albany College, graduating with the class of 1908. Immediately following this he came to Petersburg and began the practice in which he is still engaged. His professional activities have not been confined to local work however, and he has been called upon to fill various important positions, official and otherwise. These include the presidency of the New York State Sanitary Officers' Association, director of the Rensselaer County Tubercular Association, the position of health officer of Grafton, and membership on the Public Health Council of New York State, to which he was appointed by Governor Miller, on March 3, 1922. He is also a member of the county, State, and national medical associations. Outside of his professional activities Dr. Hull has attained a position of prominence in other lines, and has served the community in numerous important ways. He is Republican county committeeman, and was elected town supervisor for the terms of 1921-2-3-4. He was a member of the Petersburg School Board, and during the years of the World War was a member of the Draft Board of Appeals, for Division No. 2 of the Northern District of the State of New York. Dr. Hull is identified in fraternal circles as a member of the Masonic order, being a trustee and past master of Star Lodge, No. 670, Free and Accepted Masons, of Petersburg. On June 4, 1921, he was appointed district deputy grand master of the Rensselaer-Schenectady Masonic District. He is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, having been assistant grand lecturer of the Albany, Rensselaer and Schenectady District for 1917-18, and he is also affiliated with the Petersburg Order Knights of the Maccabees. His interest in athletics is strong, and it is largely through his efforts that the fine athletic field at Petersburg was built and is maintained at this time. His college fraternity is the Phi Sigma Kappa of Albany Medical College.

Dr. Hull married, at Berlin, New York, on September 15, 1909, Bessie Cowee, a daughter of Arthur and Hettie (Greene) Cowee, and they are the parents of four children: Elizabeth, who died January 4, 1919; Stanton; and Harriet and Eleanor, (twins). The family are communicants of the Baptist church, of which Dr. Hull is a member of the board of trustees.

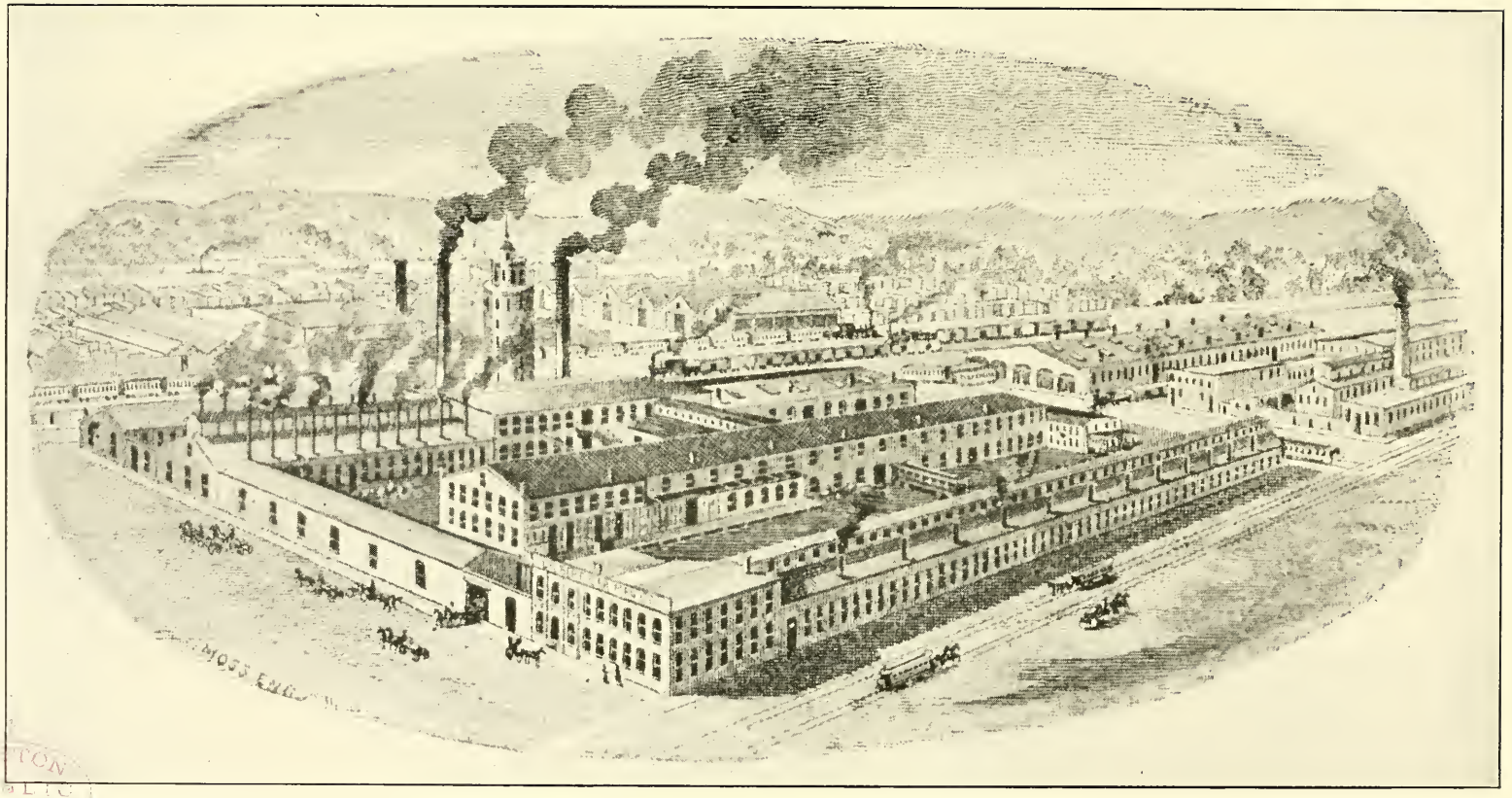
HON. URI GILBERT—The name of the Hon. Uri Gilbert will ever live in Troy and Rensselaer County as one of the leading spirits in the upbuilding of that city and county. As an industrialist whose activities reacted to the benefit of his community, Mr. Gilbert had no peer during the latter half of the nineteenth century. From 1824, when he first became identified with manufacturing interests, and until his death in 1888, he was one of Troy's most prominent, loved, and respected citizens. His business ability was of unusual influence, and that he exerted prevision and foresight in building up his manufactory was evidenced by the great industrial plant which he builded in comparison with the small establishment to which he first gave his energy and efficiency. His life, viewed

in perspective, was one of singular constructiveness and well-doing, and by his achievements he built for himself an enduring monument than which there is no finer—a monument of public regard and widespread respect and love.

Uri Gilbert was born at Broadalbin, Fulton County, New York, on July 10, 1809, a son of the Rev. John Darling and Susan (Thomas-McLean) Gilbert, the latter a native of Savannah, Georgia, who survived her husband for seven years, dying at the age of eighty-eight years. The father, Rev. John Darling Gilbert, who was an Episcopal clergyman, was born at Reading, Connecticut, in 1782. He was ordained in Trinity Church, New York City, by Bishop Hobert. He was one of the early missionaries of Central and Western New York, traveling from place to place on horseback, his headquarters being at Painted Post, where his death occurred, while engaged in his ministerial duties, in 1857. He was descended from the Hon. Jonathan and Obidiah Gilbert, two of the early settlers of Connecticut.

Uri Gilbert remained in the town of his nativity until he was fifteen years of age, meanwhile attending the public schools of Broadalbin. The year 1824 brought his advent into Troy, which city was to be the scene of his subsequent activities and achievements. Upon his removal to Troy he at once learned the trade of carriage-making, under the expert tutelage of Orsamus Eaton, and so well did he apply himself, that six years later (1830) he became a partner of Mr. Eaton's, under the firm name of Eaton & Gilbert. The business grew steadily, the plant was enlarged, and the firm received contracts to build mail coaches for the South and West. These vehicles for the United States mail contract were called "Troy Stages," and became well and widely known. For many years the firm had a monopoly in the building of omnibuses for all the large cities, and later street cars and railroad cars were built by the firm, which became known as the finest in the country. The firm built cars for all sections of the United States and South America, and their cars always held a deservedly leading place. It is interesting to note that the firm supplied the government with five hundred gun carriages during the Civil War. Mr. Eaton retired from the firm in 1862, and in 1863 Uri Gilbert's son, William E. Gilbert, was taken in as his father's partner, the firm name then becoming Uri Gilbert & Son. In 1864 Walter R. Bush was admitted to partnership, with an automatic change of firm name to Gilbert, Bush & Company. In 1867 Edward Granger Gilbert, another son, and Walter R. Bush, Jr., were likewise admitted to the firm, and in 1869 L. O. Hanson completed the firm personnel. In 1872 Mr. Hanson resigned, and on January 1, 1879, the firm became the Gilbert & Bush Company. On August 25, 1882, the Gilbert Car Manufacturing Company was organized, with Uri Gilbert as president.

In addition to passenger and commercial cars, the firm manufactured private coaches, which are not only in use in the United States, but also in foreign countries. On October 28, 1852, the company's original plant on Sixth Street, Troy, was destroyed by fire. In July, 1853, the property was purchased by the Union Railroad Company, at which time the Gil-



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GILBERT CAR MANUFACTURING COMPANY

bert Car Manufacturing Company moved into an extensive and commodious establishment on George and Clinton streets, Green Island, Troy, New York. The company built the first eight-wheel passenger coaches that were used on the Troy & Schenectady Railroad, and during the Civil War more than five hundred gun-carriages were manufactured for the United States Government.

In regard to the Hon. Uri Gilbert's public services, his financial activities, and his public welfare work, an editorial in the Troy "Times," under date of June 18, 1888 (the day after his death), said, in part:

> Mr. Gilbert took an active part in enterprises that had for their object the advancement of the city's interests. He was one of the organizers of the Young Men's Association, and contributed largely to the success of that institution. He was president of the association in 1848. Mr. Gilbert was elected president of the Troy Savings Company upon its formation in 1854. He was a trustee of the Troy Orphan Asylum and a director of the United National Bank. Mr. Gilbert was a governor of the Marshall Infirmary and a warden of St. John's Church. He was a trustee of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.
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> Mr. Gilbert was originally a Whig, but joined the Republican party upon its organization. He was devoted to the cause of good government, and although he attended closely to the great business enterprise of which he was the head, his influence was felt in party councils, and he was an unswerving advocate of the principles of the Republican party. He was elected alderman in 1840 and represented the Third Ward in the Common Council for seven years. In 1865 he was elected mayor of the city of Troy, and in 1870 he was again elected to that office. As the chief executive of the city, as well as in all other positions which he filled, Mr. Gilbert was efficient, zealous and alive to what would best promote the welfare of the public. Whatever duty was attached to his public position, it was discharged with an eye single to the good of the community and for the advancement of the interests of the municipality.
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> The death of Mr. Gilbert is a public loss. He was in every respect one of Troy's most worthy and exemplary citizens. He was the moving spirit in some of the enterprises that developed Troy's interests, and he was the firm friend of public and educational institutions. In business life he made use of natural characteristics combined with mature judgment that enabled him to look ahead and see where enlargement could be made with the assurance of rich returns. He was remarkably successful in business. A man of strictest integrity in public and private life, he commanded the confidence and respect of the entire community. Mr. Gilbert lived to see his business enterprise the leading establishment of the kind in the country.
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> From the modest carriage shop of 1830 grew the extensive manufacturing establishment of to-day, an evidence of what keen business ability, backed by perseverance and a determination to succeed, will bring about if directed in the right channels.

Hon. Uri Gilbert was a sincere and faithful Episcopalian, and in this connection it is well to note that the carved chancel chairs in St. John's Episcopal Church, of which he was a communicant and a warden, were given by Mr. Gilbert and his wife in memory of their daughter, Josephine Louise, and their son, Edward Granger Gilbert. The beautiful chancel window of the "Resurrection" in the same church was given in memory of Hon. and Mrs. Uri Gilbert by their children. Mr. Gilbert also established St. Mark's Church on Green Island. Mr. Gilbert was a director of the United National Bank, and a member of the Troy Club, organized in 1867.

The Hon. Uri Gilbert was married, on May 23, 1832, to Frances Harriet Granger, a daughter of Josiah and Polly (Prescott) Granger, of Schenectady, New York. Frances Harriet (Granger) Gilbert's death

occurred in Troy, New York, on December 6, 1889. The children of this union were: 1. Mary Ellen, born March 11, 1833, died on February 13, 1911. 2. William Loudette, born February 25, 1835, died December 11, 1836. 3. William Eaton, of whom further. 4. Frances Adelaide, born April 20, 1841, died June 27, 1903. 5. Edward Granger, of whom further. 6. Josephine Louise, born March 7, 1851, died August 25, 1876. The family home was at No. 189 Second Street, Troy, New York.

William Eaton Gilbert, third of the six children of Hon. Uri and Frances Harriet (Granger) Gilbert, and the eldest son who lived to maturity, was born in Troy, New York, January 14, 1839. His education was received in the Troy Academy, following which he entered his father's business, giving up his natural inclination to study medicine in order to help carry on the industry which his father had founded. Eventually, he rose to high executive positions in the concern, being vice-president and treasurer during Edward Granger Gilbert's incumbency as president. In 1867 he served as captain of the Washington Volunteer Steamer Company, and so able were his services that the Gilbert Hose Company of Green Island was named for him. He was closely identified with the Troy Young Men's Association, having been one of the original trustees, and president in 1868. He was also a prominent member of the Troy Club and the Troy Citizens' Corps. Throughout his life he was a constant and sincere communicant of St. John's Church, and was generally loved and esteemed by all who knew him for his humanitarian traits. He was kind-hearted, philanthropic, public-spirited, and a man of the strictest integrity—an honorable gentleman in every sense. He was married, in Middletown, Connecticut, on June 16, 1864, to Aimee E. A. Alsop, a daughter of Charles Richard and Margaret E. (Armstrong) Alsop, members of a prominent New England family. To William E. and Aimee E. A. (Alsop) Gilbert two children were born: 1. William Alsop, born March 17, 1868, at Troy, New York. 2. Chauncey McLean, born April 6, 1882, at Troy, New York. He married Marguerite Young, and has two children: i. Chauncey McLean, Jr., born May 18, 1911. ii. Charles Richard Alsop, born May 26, 1916. William Eaton Gilbert resided in Eagle Mills, near Troy, New York, during the last four years of his life. His death occurred on September 29, 1898.

Edward Granger Gilbert, fifth of the six children of Hon. Uri and Frances Harriet (Granger) Gilbert, was born in Troy, New York, on January 28, 1847. His early education was received in the Troy Academy, following which he attended boarding school at Poughkeepsie, New York. He finished his education at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and at once associated himself in business with his father. Upon the death of his father, Edward Granger Gilbert became president of the Gilbert Car Manufacturing Company, holding this important office until his death. Much of the phenomenal growth of the enterprise can be attributed to Mr. Gilbert's exceptional executive ability, his efficiency, and his untiring energy. During his life he was a foremost figure in the industrial circles of Rensselaer County. He was a member of the Troy Club, the Engineers' Club of New York City, and at one time was president of the Troy Young Men's Association. His religious affiliation was

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given to the Episcopal faith, and for many years he gave faithful service as vestryman of both St. John's Church of Troy, and St. Mark's Church of Green Island. Edward Granger Gilbert was married, in Troy, New York, on November 6, 1868, to Sarah Williams Plum, a daughter of the Hon. Elias (see following biography) and Mercy (Mann) Plum. To Edward Granger and Sarah Williams (Plum) Gilbert were born four children, as follows: 1. Lucetta Banks, who married James Henry Ottley, of New York City, and they have four children: i. Martha Munn, born February 24, 1901. ii. James Henry, Jr., born April 22, 1903. iii. Gilbert, born October 9, 1907. iv. Frances Elizabeth, born March 4, 1909. James Henry Ottley, Sr., died on March 3, 1922, in New York City. 2. Frances Harriet, who became the wife of Charles M. Brooks, of New York City. 3. Edward Granger, Jr., born January 3, 1875, died in Troy, New York, November 29, 1916. 4. Josephine Louise, who married Julian Gerard Buckley, of Geneseo, New York, and they have three sons: i. Julian G., Jr. ii. Charles Brooks. iii. Thomas C. T.

The death of the Hon. Uri Gilbert occurred at his summer home on Clermont Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York, on June 17, 1888, during his seventy-ninth year, and lost to the city of Troy one of its most progressive industrialists. Hon. Uri Gilbert, twice mayor of Troy, and his two sons were three more Americans whose names are so linked with the industrial and commercial progress of their native land, that their deeds and achievements form a part of the history of these United States, and thus are eminently entitled to perpetuity.

ELIAS PLUM, one of the most prominent men of Troy, New York, during the nineteenth century, proved by his life and labors that he was a true representative of his ancient noble English lineage.

The family of Plum is an old and honored one in English history, the first of the name being Robertus Plumme, who is mentioned in the Normandy Roll of the year 1180. The main branch of the family was seated in County Essex, England, whence came the first American ancestor. By their deeds and achievements in the civil and military circles of England the members and descendants of the family of Plum are entitled to bear the following coat-of-arms:

Arms—Ermine, a bend vairé or and gules cotised vert.
Crest—Out of a ducal coronet or, a plume of ostrich feathers argent.

The name signifies plume, and the old spelling of Plumme gave way gradually to Plume, a corruption of this, both Plumbe and Plumb, and finally to Plum, the present spelling.

(I) John Plume was the first of his family to immigrate to America. He was a son of Robert and Grace (Crackborn) Plume, and was born at Spaynes Hall, Ridgewell, County Essex, England, on July 28, 1594. He left England and came to Connecticut in 1635, living first at Wethersfield, and locating later at Branford, Connecticut. He was one of the men in Captain Mason's little army during the Pequot War, 1637. His ship was the one that carried the seventy-seven men of Captain Mason's army around from the north of the Connecticut River to the Narragan-

sett, from which they marched overland, west, to attack the Pequots at Pequot Hill, now Groton. He died in 1648. His wife's given name was Dorothy, and to them was born a son, Samuel, of whom further.

(II) Samuel Plume, son of John and Dorothy Plume, was born on January 4, 1625, in Ridgewell, Essex County, England. He came to America from England with his father in 1635, and died in January, 1703, in Newark, New Jersey, having previously resided in Wethersfield and Branford, Connecticut. He was one of the founders of Newark, with Governor Treat, removing there in 1668. He married Hannah ———, and to them was born a son, John, of whom further.

(III) John Plume, son of Samuel and Hannah Plume, was born in Bradford, Connecticut, on October 23, 1657, and at the age of eleven years accompanied his father to Newark, New Jersey, where he died on July 12, 1710. He was married, in 1694, to Hannah Crane, a daughter of Deacon Azaiah and Mary (Treat) Crane, the latter a daughter of Governor Robert Treat. Among their offspring was John (2), of whom further.

(IV) John (2) Plum, son of John and Hannah (Crane) Plume, was the first of his family to drop the final "e" from the patronym, which modified spelling has ever since remained in vogue. He was born in Newark, New Jersey, about 1696, and died there about 1785, aged eighty-nine years. He married (first) Joanna Crane; (second) Mary Pierson. Of the first union was born a son, John (3), of whom further.

(V) John (3) Plum, son of John (2) and Joanna (Crane) Plum, was born in Newark, New Jersey, about 1743, and died there about 1771, his will being probated during that year. He was married to Susan Crane, being the third Plum in direct succession to marry one of the Crane family. Three sons were born of this marriage: 1. Joseph Riggs, born 1765. 2. Matthias, born in 1768. 3. Robert, born in 1770. Susan (Crane) Plum was married (second) to David Banks, a son of James and Mary (Odgen) Banks, and bore him five daughters and one son. Among the offispring of John (3) and Susan (Crane) Plum was a son, Matthias, of whom further.

(VI) Matthias Plum, a son of John (3) and Susan (Crane) Plum, was born in Newark, New Jersey, on October 18, 1768, and died there on February 11, 1852. He married Phebe Woodruff, a daughter of Captain Seth and Phebe (Haines) Woodruff, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Lucetta, born in Newark, in 1794, married her cousin, Joseph Plume. 2. Sarah, born in Newark, in 1797, married Ambrose Williams. 3. Stephen Haines, born in 1800, married Margaret M. Todd. 4. Elias, see below. 5. David Banks, born in 1813, married (first) Lenora Whitaker; and (second) Anna M. Arnold.

(VII) Elias Plum, fourth of the five children of Matthias and Phebe (Woodruff) Plum, and a representative of the seventh generation of the ancient English family of Plumes in America, was born in Newark, New Jersey, on November 18, 1804, and there grew to young manhood. He removed from Newark to Troy, Rensselaer County, New York, with his younger brother, David Banks Plum, and with him engaged in the leather business, which was the same field of endeavor his ancestors had been

identified with for generations. He was very successful, conducting the steadily growing concern with a rigid ethical code in which ability, efficiency, integrity, and honor constituted the main ramifications. Mr. Plum was also intimately identified with the commercial, civic, and financial progress of his adopted city. In 1839, when the Commercial Bank of Troy was organized, Elias Plum was one of its first directors, and, due to his genius in monetary matters, he was elected president of the bank in 1847, and continued to discharge the many duties devolving upon this highly important executive office with his usual ability until 1862.

Mr. Plum was correspondingly active in the public life of the rapidly growing city, and so generally loved and respected was he that on December 22, 1853, he was chosen as mayor of the city of Troy, serving ably for one term. Politically, Mr. Plum supported the Democratic party.

Elias Plum's career was one of note in a community that has brought forth many important figures, and his beneficent influence on the young city of his adoption cannot be over estimated. It is entirely due to men of his stamp that the city of Troy, New York, is what it is to-day—one of the very important industrial and commercial centers of the East.

The Hon. Elias Plum was married three times: (first) on April 25, 1830, to Susan Rankin, a daughter of William and Wilhemina (Dunkee) Rankin. She died on January 15, 1837, leaving three children: 1. Mary Gould, who was born October 10, 1831, and married Col. George Lamb Williard, who was killed at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on July 2, 1863, her death occurring in Troy, New York, on July 30, 1888. 2. Anna Lee, born in Troy, New York, on May 11, 1833, died there on June 16, 1899. 3. James Rankin, born in Troy, New York, on January 2, 1837, moved to New York City when a young man, was married, on May 13, 1863, to Margaret Townsend, a daughter of Hon. John P. and Caroline (Drake) Townsend, and they had four children: i. George Williard, born February 27, 1864, died March 8, 1923. ii. James Rankin, Jr., born May 22, 1866, died January 1, 1891. iii. Caroline Townsend, married Daniel Nason, January 15, 1902, and they have two children: (a) James Rankin Plum Nason, born November 5, 1902. (b) Mercy Plum Nason, born December 20, 1905. Daniel Nason died March 14, 1911. iv. Townsend.

Elias Plum was married (second) to Mercy Mann, a daughter of Jeremiah and Lydia (Norton) Mann. They were married in Milton Center, Saratoga County, New York, on December 23, 1840. She died in Troy, New York, on November 4, 1852, leaving the following five children: 1. Francis Norton, born in Troy, New York, on December 11, 1841, died in Troy, New York, on January 5, 1876, from wounds received in the Civil War. 2. Elias, Jr., born in Troy, New York, on August 30, 1843, died on May 3, 1904, at Caranido Beach, California. 3. Sarah Williams, born in Troy, New York, on July 6, 1847, died in New York City, on November 13, 1911; married, in Troy, New York, on November 6, 1868, Edward Granger Gilbert, son of Hon. Uri (see preceding biography) and Francis Harriet (Granger) Gilbert. 4. Lucetta, born in Troy, New York, on July 29, 1850, died in New York City, on October 18, 1889; married, on April 22, 1869, at Troy, New York, David Banks, of New York, and they had

issue: i. David Banks, Jr., married Mable Hatch. ii. Lloyd, died young. iii. Lucetta, married Frank Makepiece, in October, 1908, they the parents of four children: (a) David Banks, born in 1909. (b) Frank, Jr., born in 1911. (c) Lloyd, born in 1913. (d) Paul, born in 1915. 5. Mercy Mann, born in Troy, New York, on September 13, 1852, now living (1924) in New York City.

Elias Plum was married (third) in Troy, New York, on October 30, 1855, to Martha Buell, a daughter of Hon. Horatio G. and Elizabeth (MacGregor) Buell. Martha (Buell) Plum died in Troy, New York, on September 27, 1873, leaving one daughter: Martha Buell Plum, born in Troy, New York, on August 2, 1856, who married, on April 21, 1881, in New York City, Dr. John P. Munn, of that place. Dr. John P. and Martha Buell (Plum) Munn have two children: 1. Dr. Aristine Munn. 2. Major James Buell Munn, who served with distinction in the late World War.

The Hon. Elias Plum died at his home, No. 57 Second Street, Troy, New York, on April 12, 1883, and was buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Troy, New York.

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